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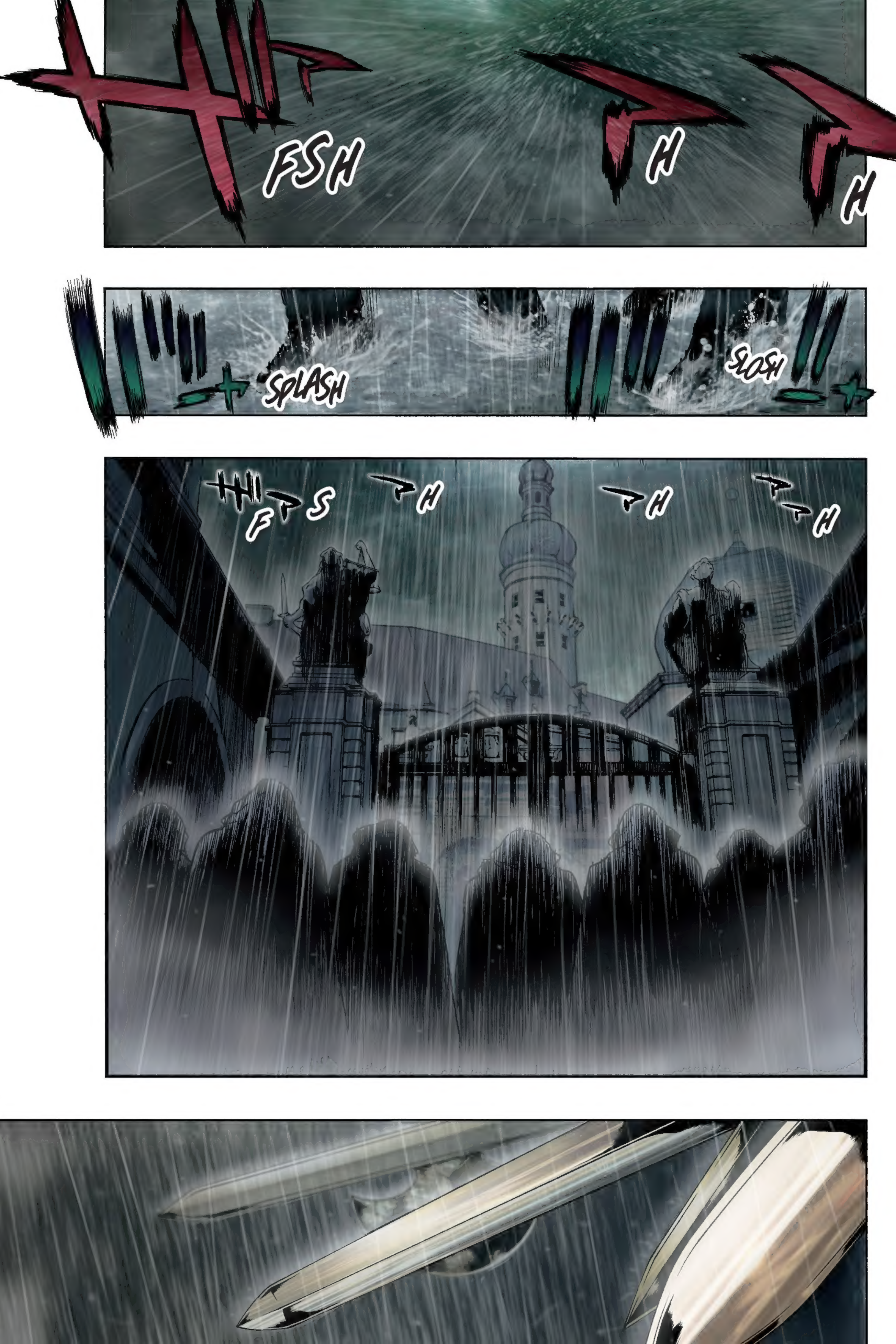
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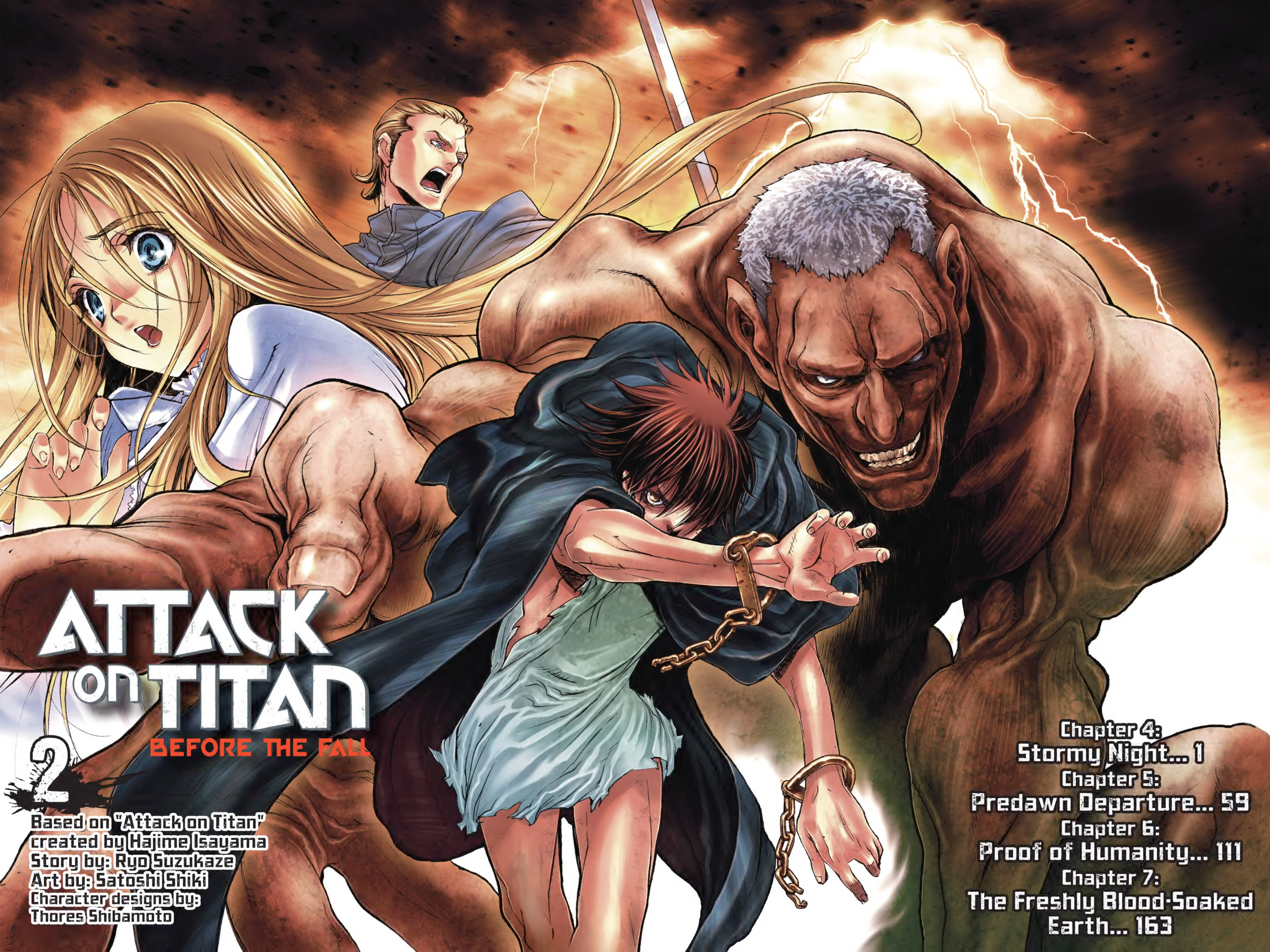

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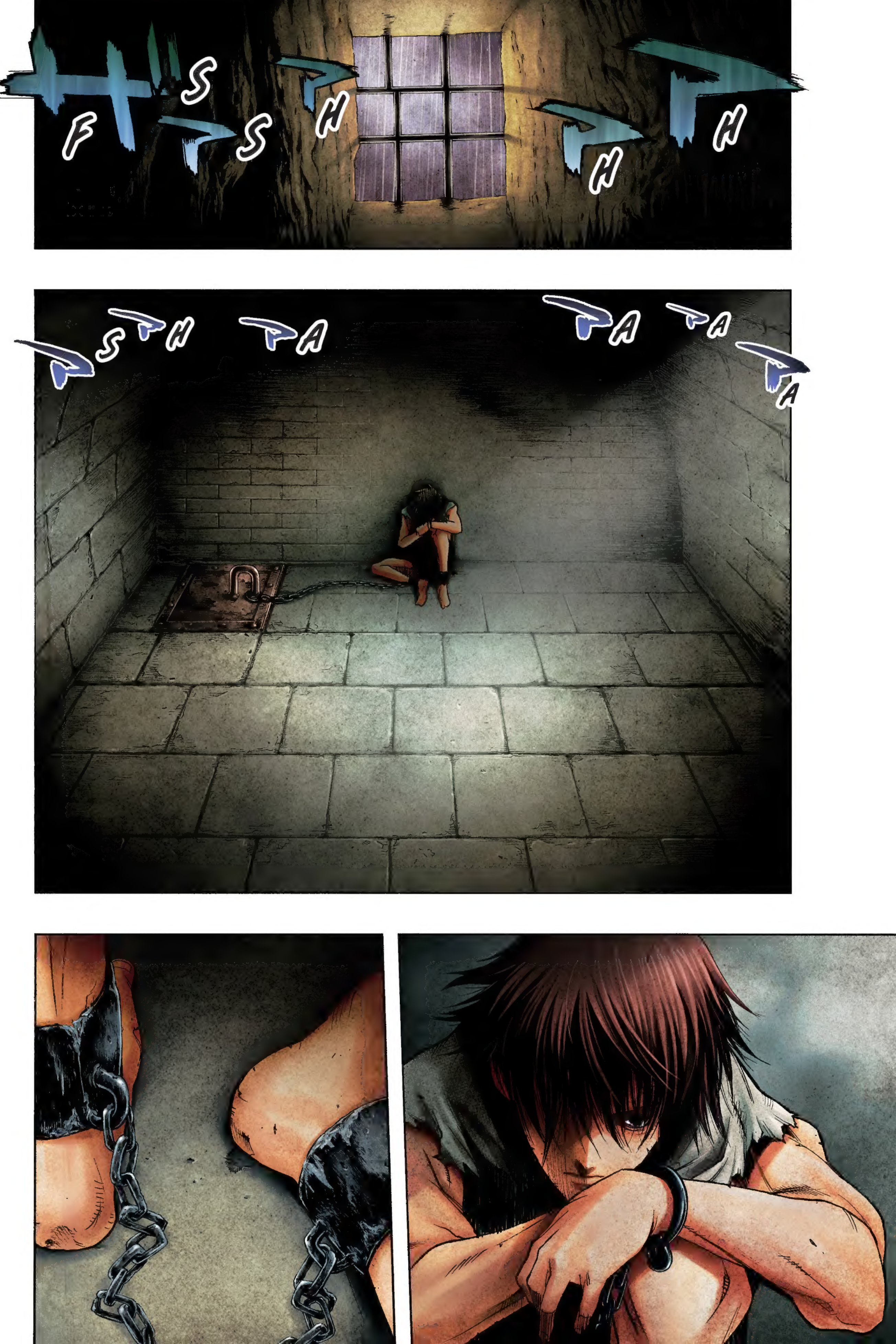
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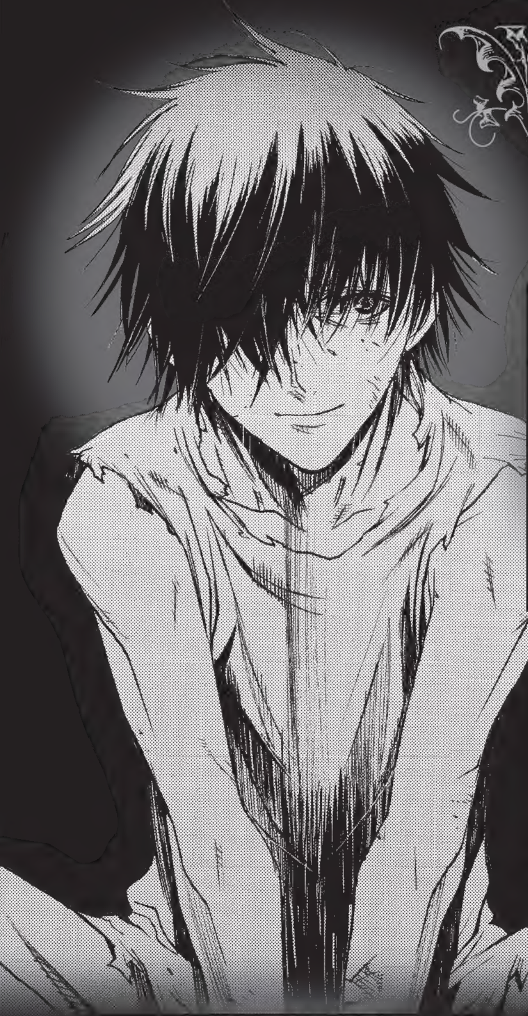
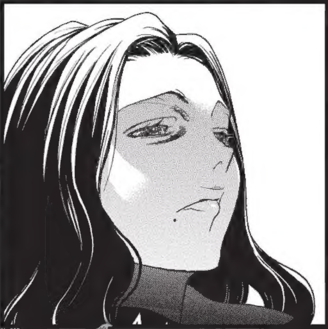


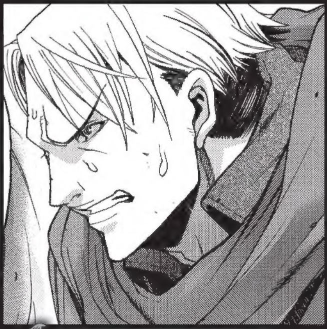
Kuklo

A boy born from a dead body packed into the vomit of a Titan, which earned him the moniker, "Titan's son." The wealthy Inocencio family bought him from a sideshow hut. His father was Heath Mansel, squad leader in the Survey Corps, and his mother was Elena, who helped bring a Titan inside the Wall. At the start of Volume 2, he is 15 years old.



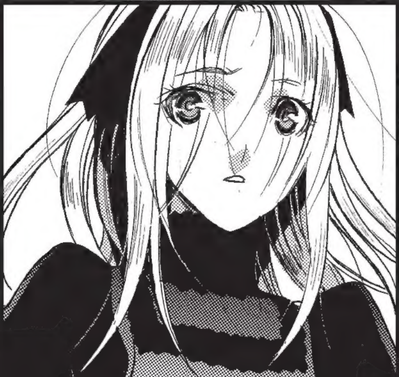
Elena

Kuklo's mother. Her husband Heath was killed by a Titan. When she saw his severed head, she went mad, and was drawn into a Titan-worshiping cult. Heavy with child, she led the cultists who opened the gate. When a Titan made its way inside, she was the first to be eaten.



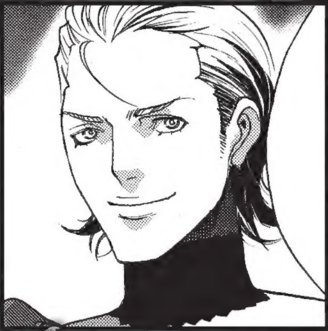
Carlo Pikale

Soldier in the Survey Corps. He was age 18 in the first chapter, having joined the same time as Heath, Kuklo's father. He discovered Elena's remains in the Titan's vomit, and witnessed Kuklo's birth. At the start of Volume 2, he is 33 years old.



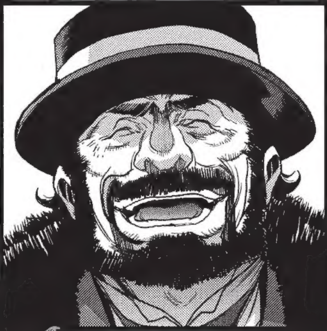
Sharle Inocencio

First daughter of the Inocencio family. She attempted to kill Kuklo after he was brought to the mansion, but became his only friend when she realized that he was human, not a monster. She decided to run away with Kuklo to avoid being forced into a strategic marriage. Like Kuklo, she is 15 at the start of Volume 2.



Xavi Inocencio

Sharle's brother, firstborn of the Inocencio children. His father Dario raised him to lead the military, and he will begin his training soon. He beat Kuklo nearly every day for two years, claiming to have "conquered the son of a Titan." This gave him an arrogant leader's air.



Dario Inocencio

One of the top merchants behind Wall Sheena, innermost of the walls. He has close ties to politicians, and hopes to arrange a marriage between Sharle and the son of Bruno Baumeister, a prominent conservative leader.

The Story So Far

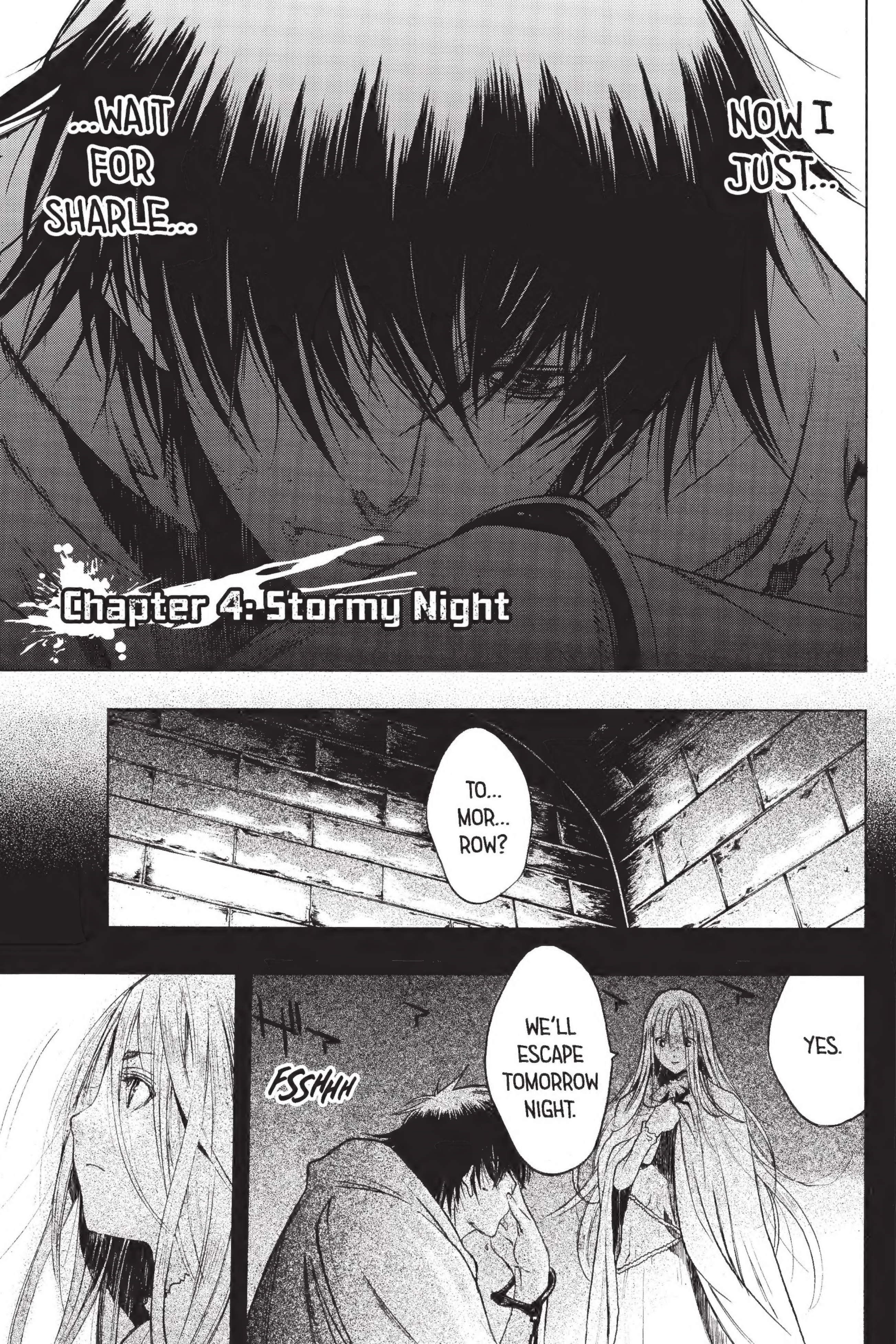
Seventy years before the story of Eren, a Titan made it through Wall Maria for the first time. Amidst ingrained fear of the Titans, a small group of Titan worshipers took over the gate in Shiganshina District. Their leader was Elena, wife of a Survey Corps squad leader whose death at the hands of Titans drove her to madness. A single Titan made its way inside the gate, and its terrible onslaught left 5,000 people dead or missing.

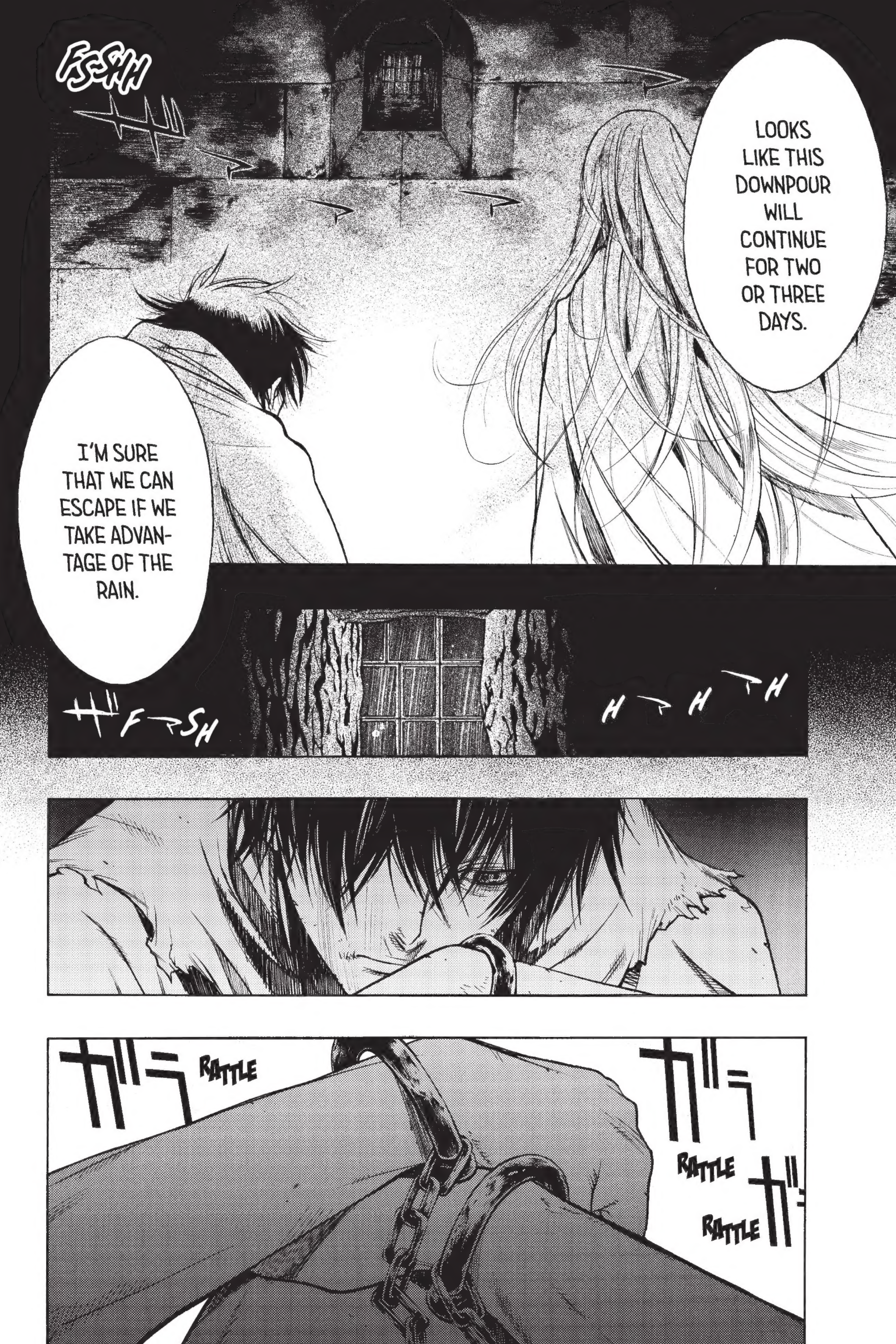
Elena was the first victim of the Titan's rampage through Shiganshina. But when her body was discovered in the Titan's vomit, her child was miraculously still alive. This boy was named Kuklo, the "Titan's son," and treated as a sideshow freak. Thirteen years later, the wealthy merchant Dario Inocencio bought Kuklo to serve as a punching bag for his son, Xavi. Meanwhile, Xavi's sister Sharle, who was terrified of the Titans, felt a secret duty to purge their house of the so-called monster. But when she saw Kuklo, she realized that he was a human being like any other, and Sharle decided to teach him about the world and human language instead.

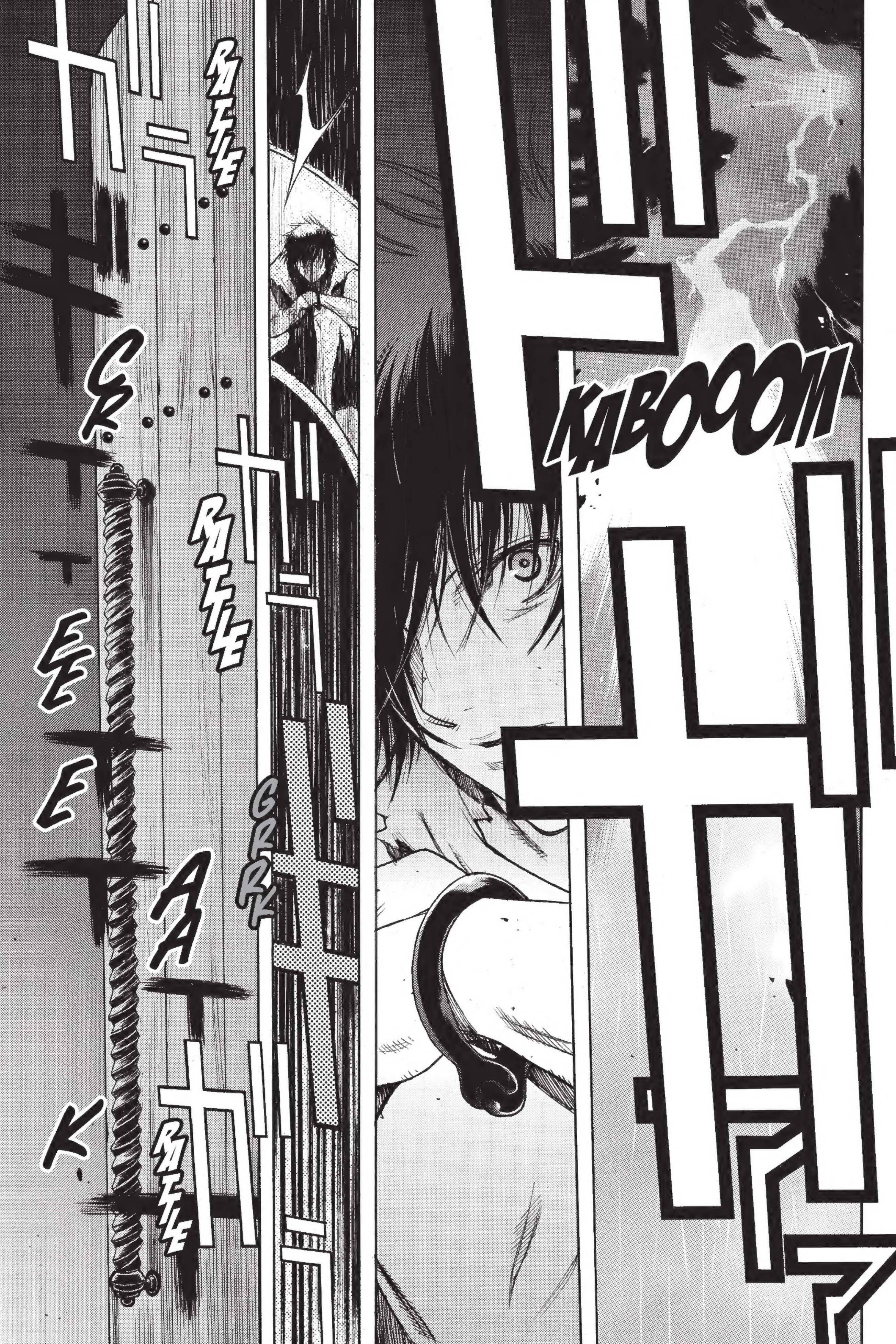
LET'S GO TOGETHER.

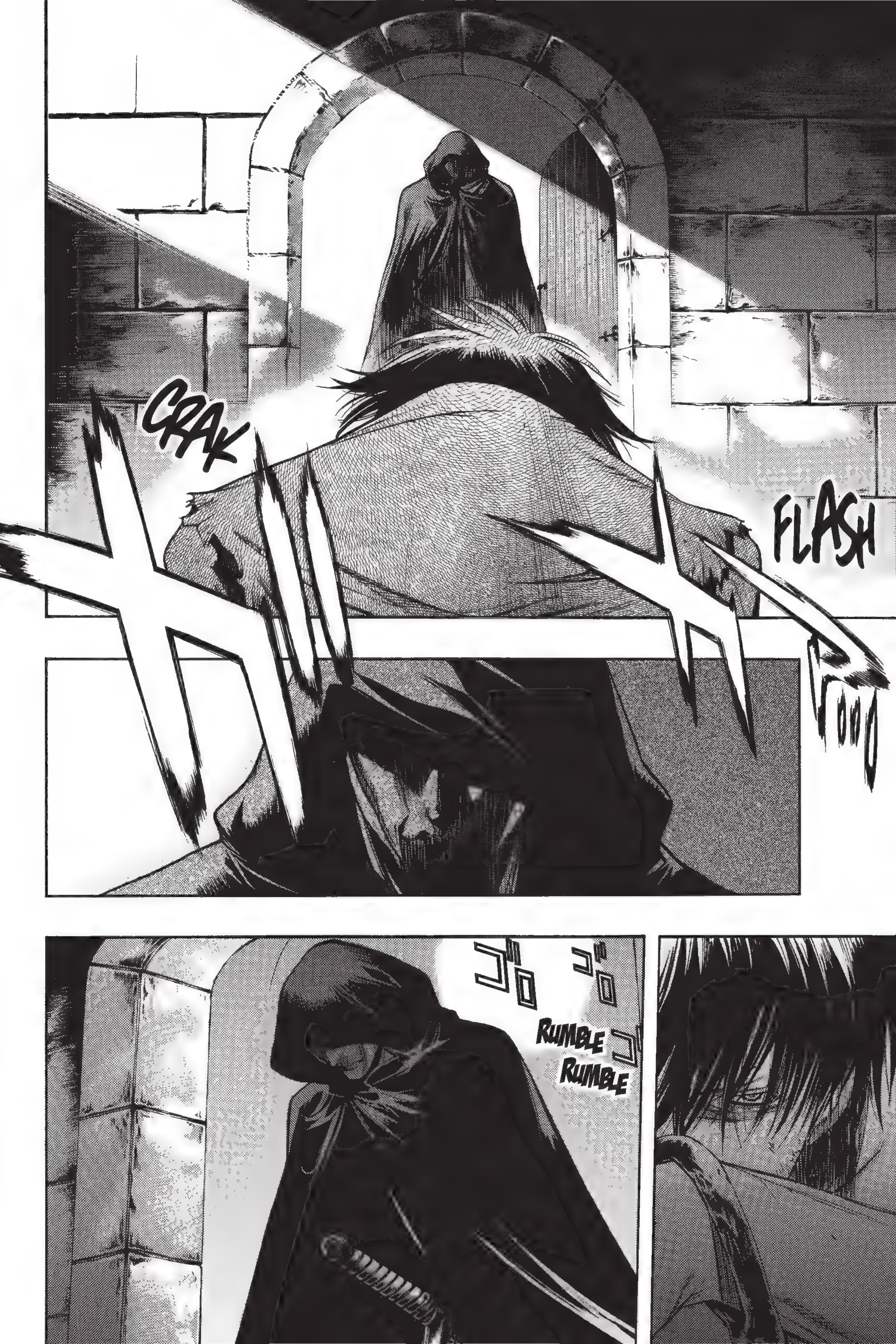
As he learned more and more from books and Sharle, Kuklo wanted to see a real Titan, to know whether he had truly been born of a Titan. To do that, he needed to escape the mansion and gain his freedom. So Kuklo put together a two-year escape plan. Meanwhile, when Sharle turned 15, the topic of her arranged marriage arose, a painful reminder that she was nothing but a tool to further her father's ambitions. The two decided to escape the Inocencio mansion together.

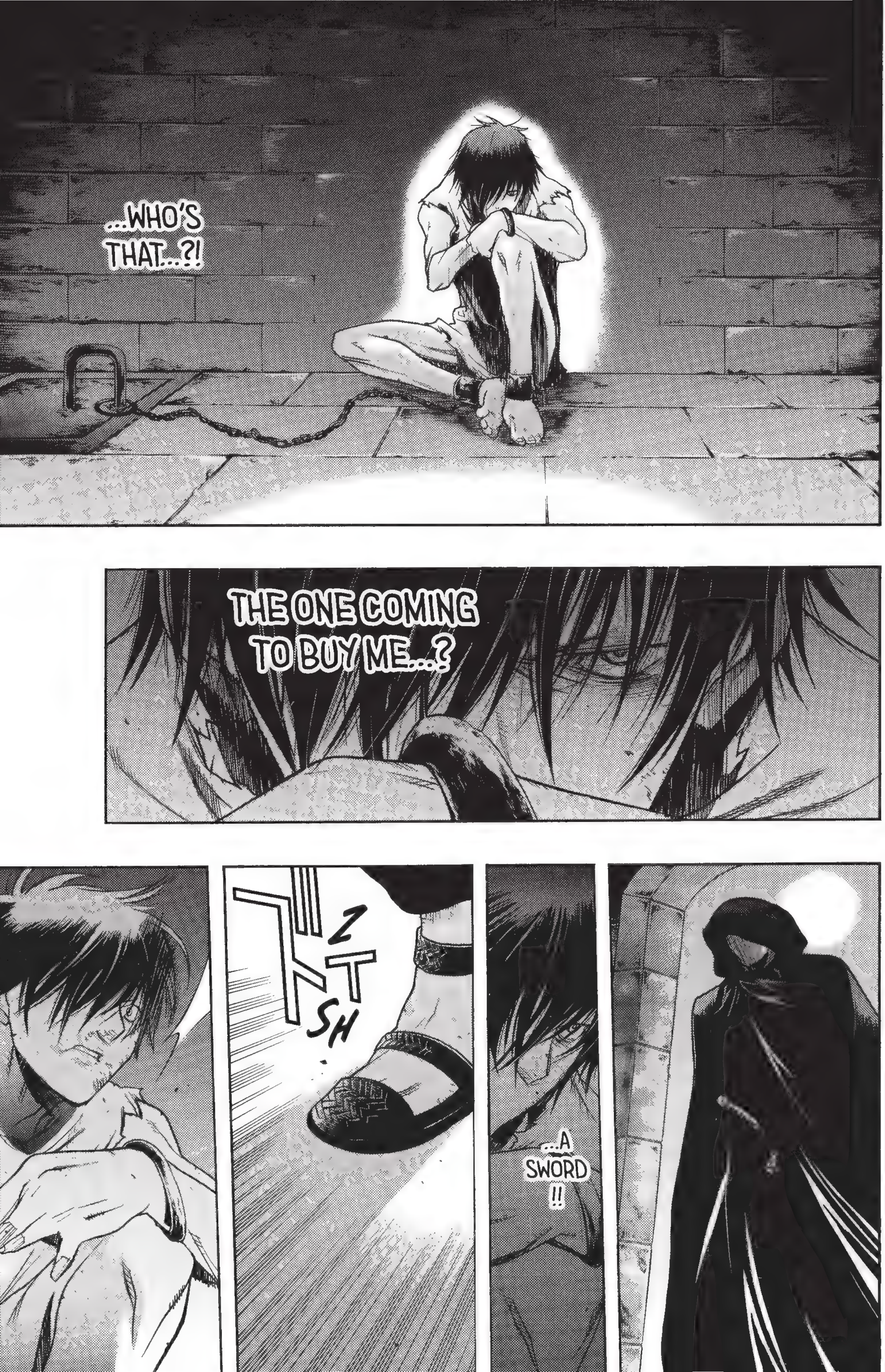
Chapter 4: Stormy Night

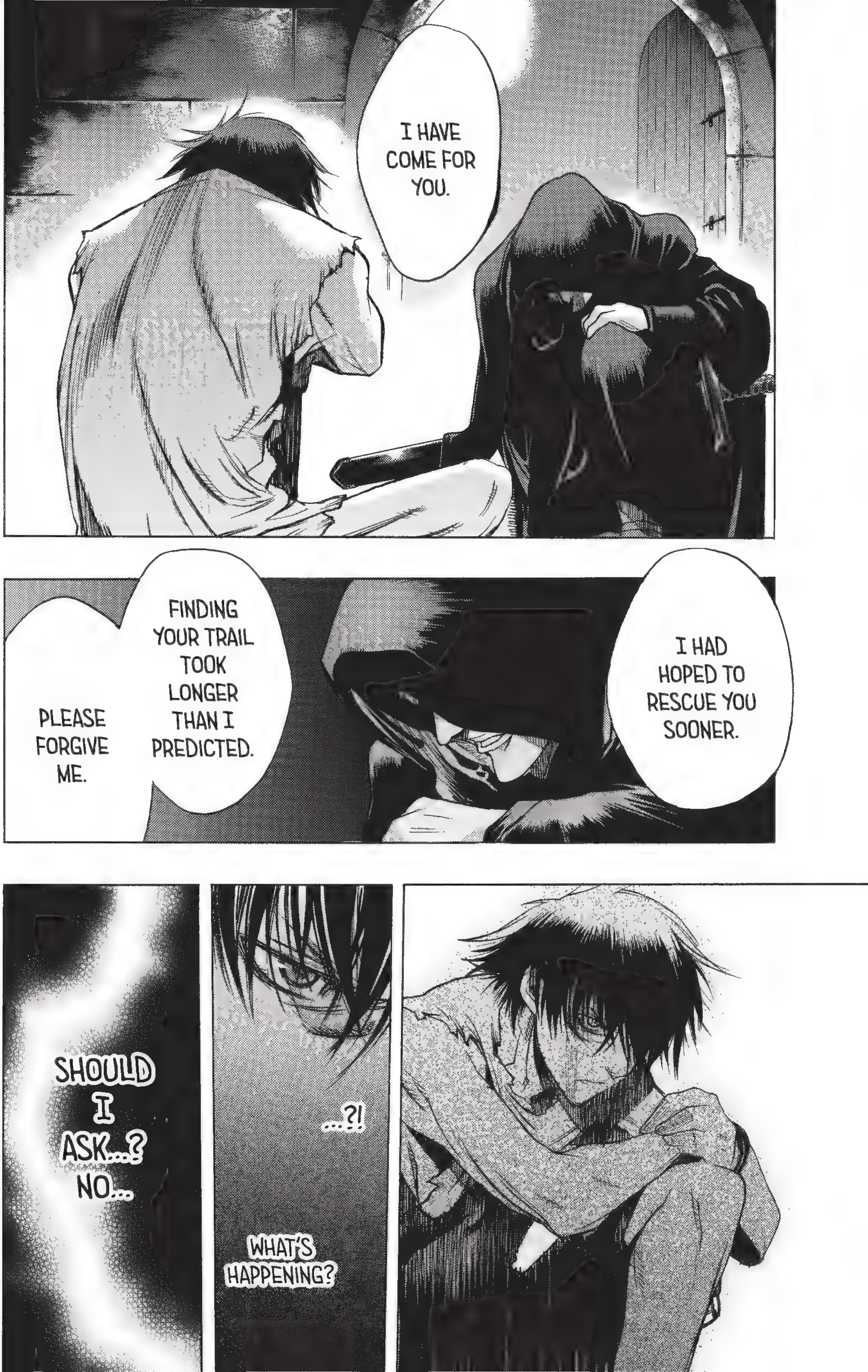

NOW I JUST...
...WAIT FOR SHARLE...
TO... MOR... ROW?
YES.
WE'LL ESCAPE TOMORROW NIGHT.
FSSHHH

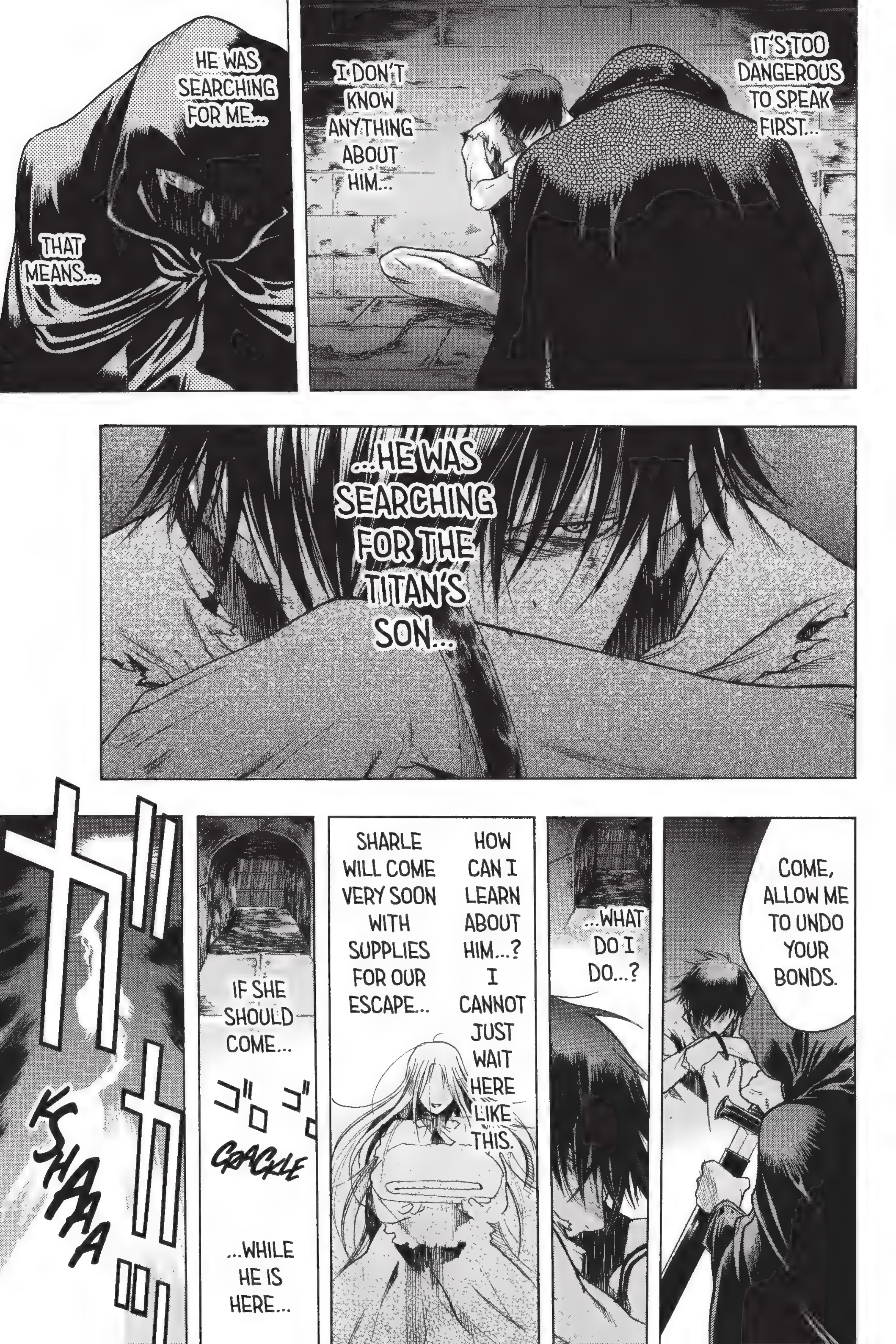

LOOKS LIKE THIS DOWNPOUR WILL CONTINUE FOR TWO OR THREE DAYS.
FSSHH
I'M SURE THAT WE CAN ESCAPE IF WE TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE RAIN.
H ア H ァ H
FSH
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE

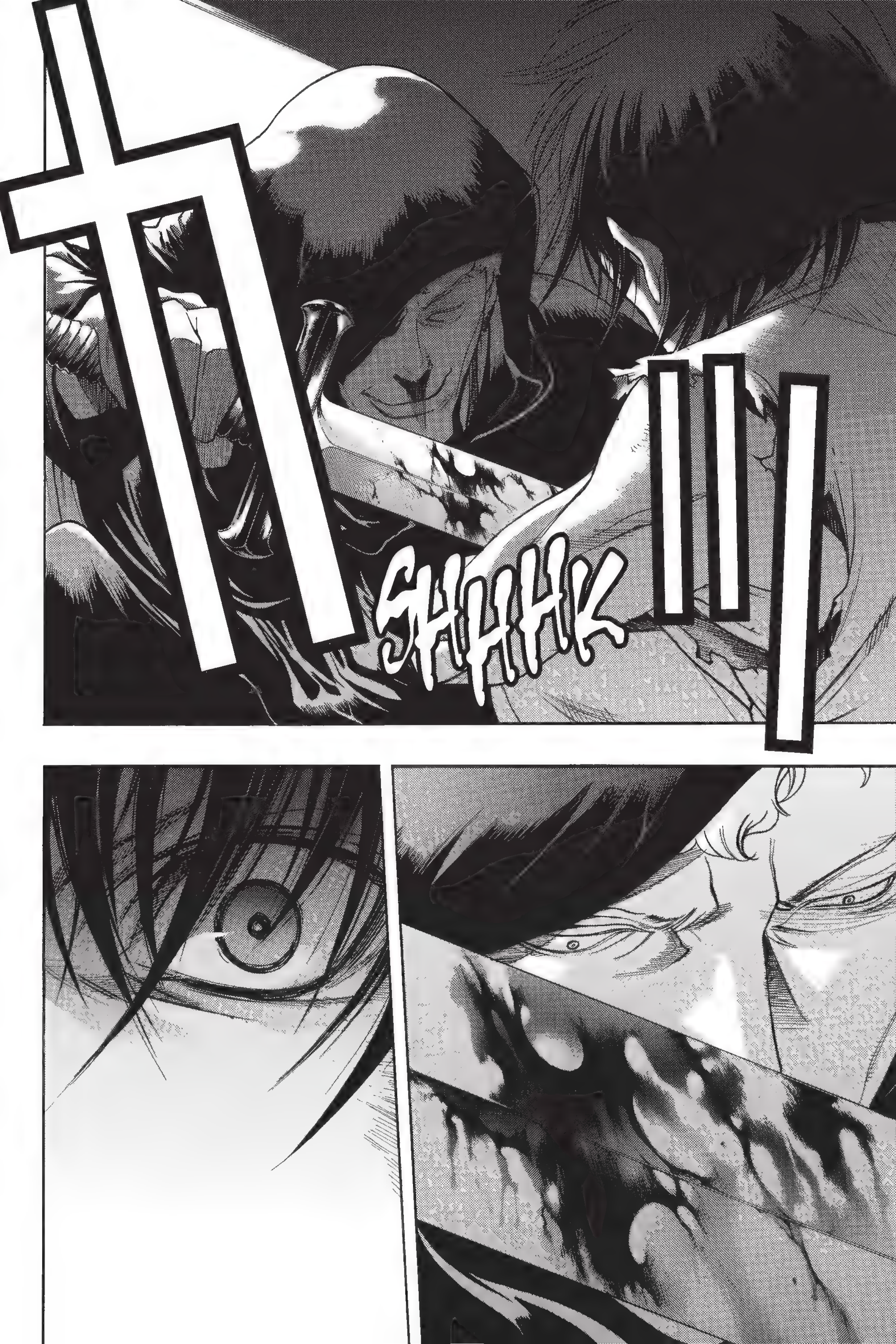

KABOOOM
RATTLE
RATTLE
GRRK
CREEEAAK
RATTLE

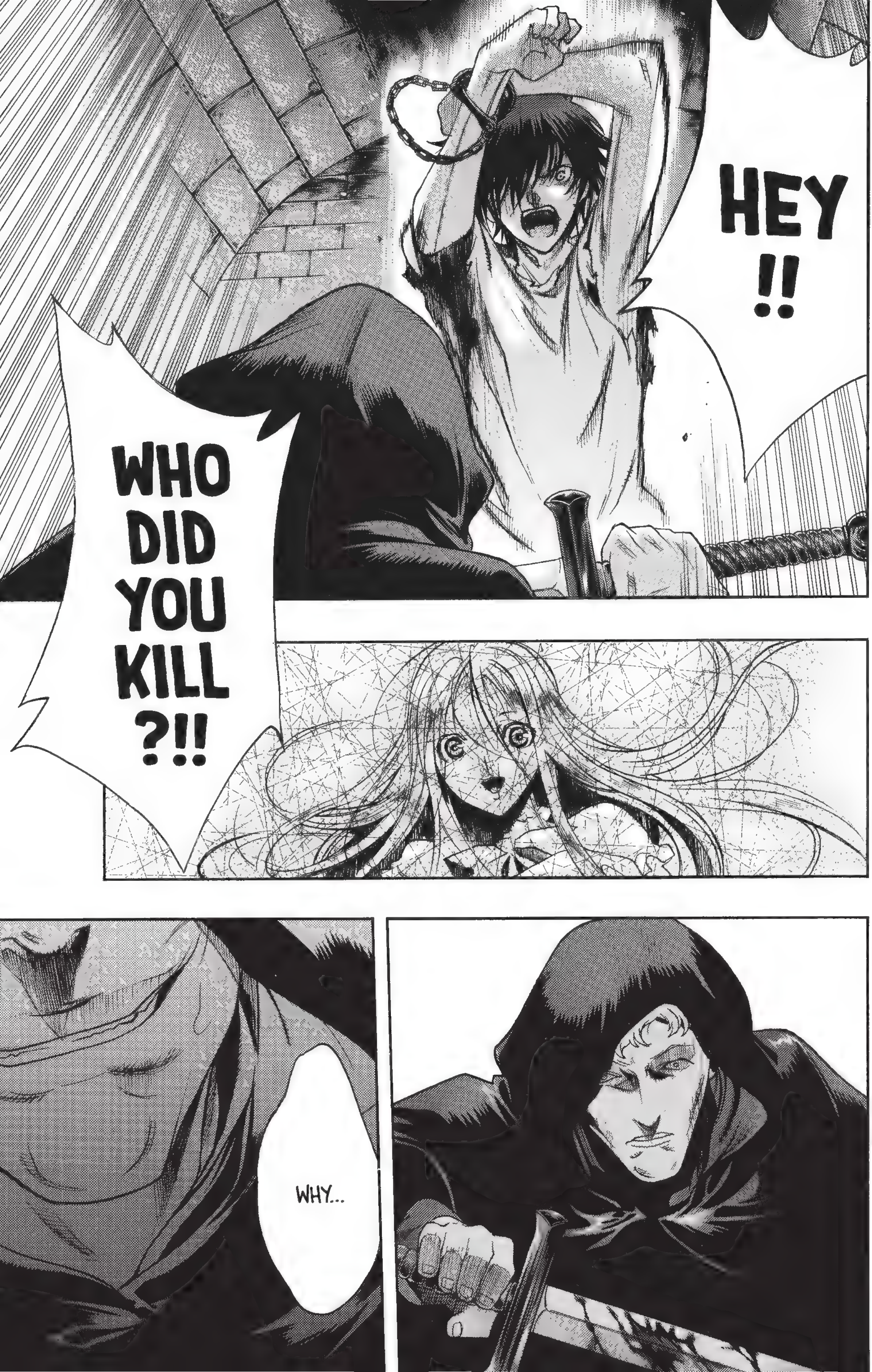

FLASH
CRAK
ゴロ ゴロ ゴ
RUMBLE RUMBLE

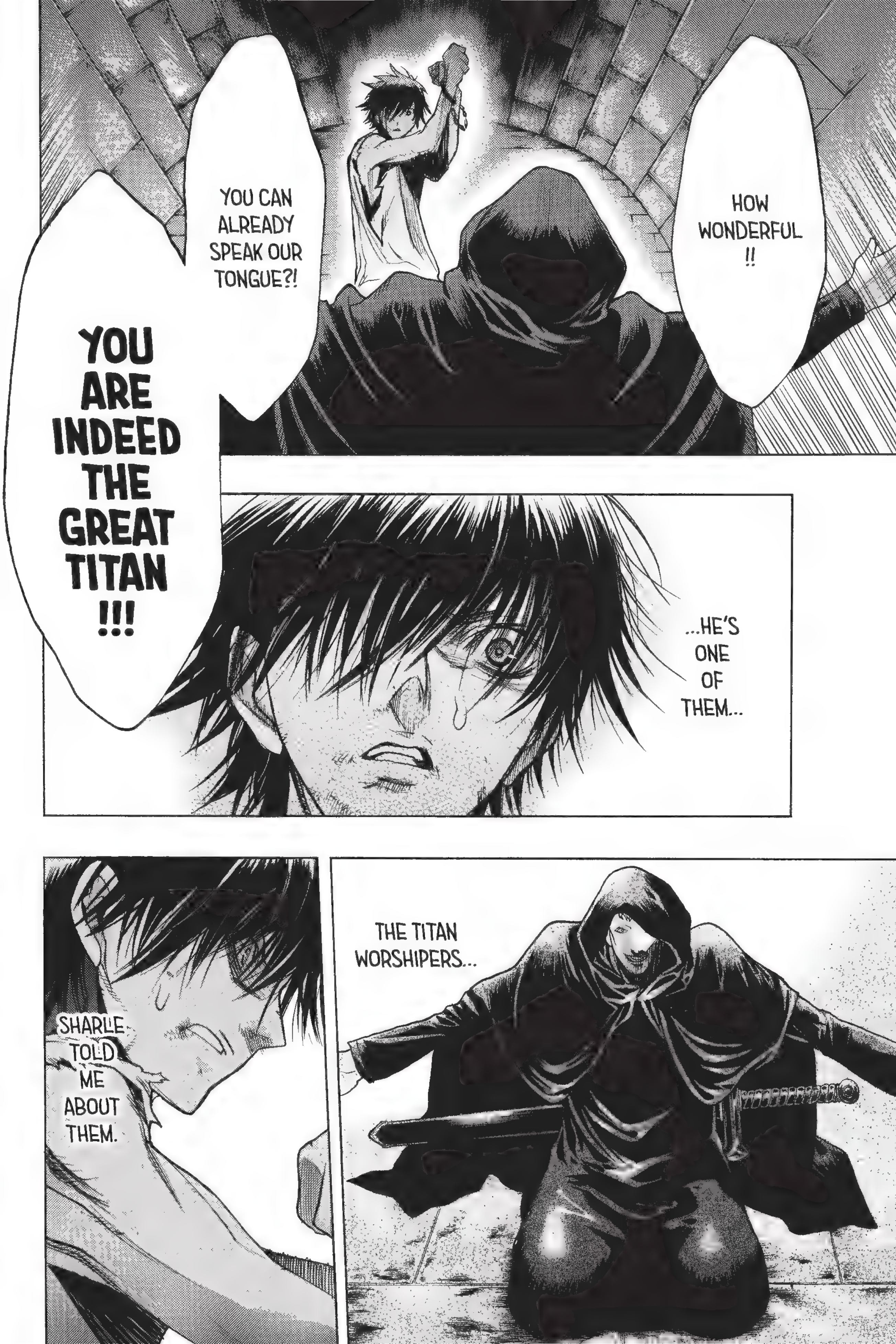

...WHO'S THAT...?!
THE ONE COMING TO BUY ME...?
...A SWORD !!
Z T SH

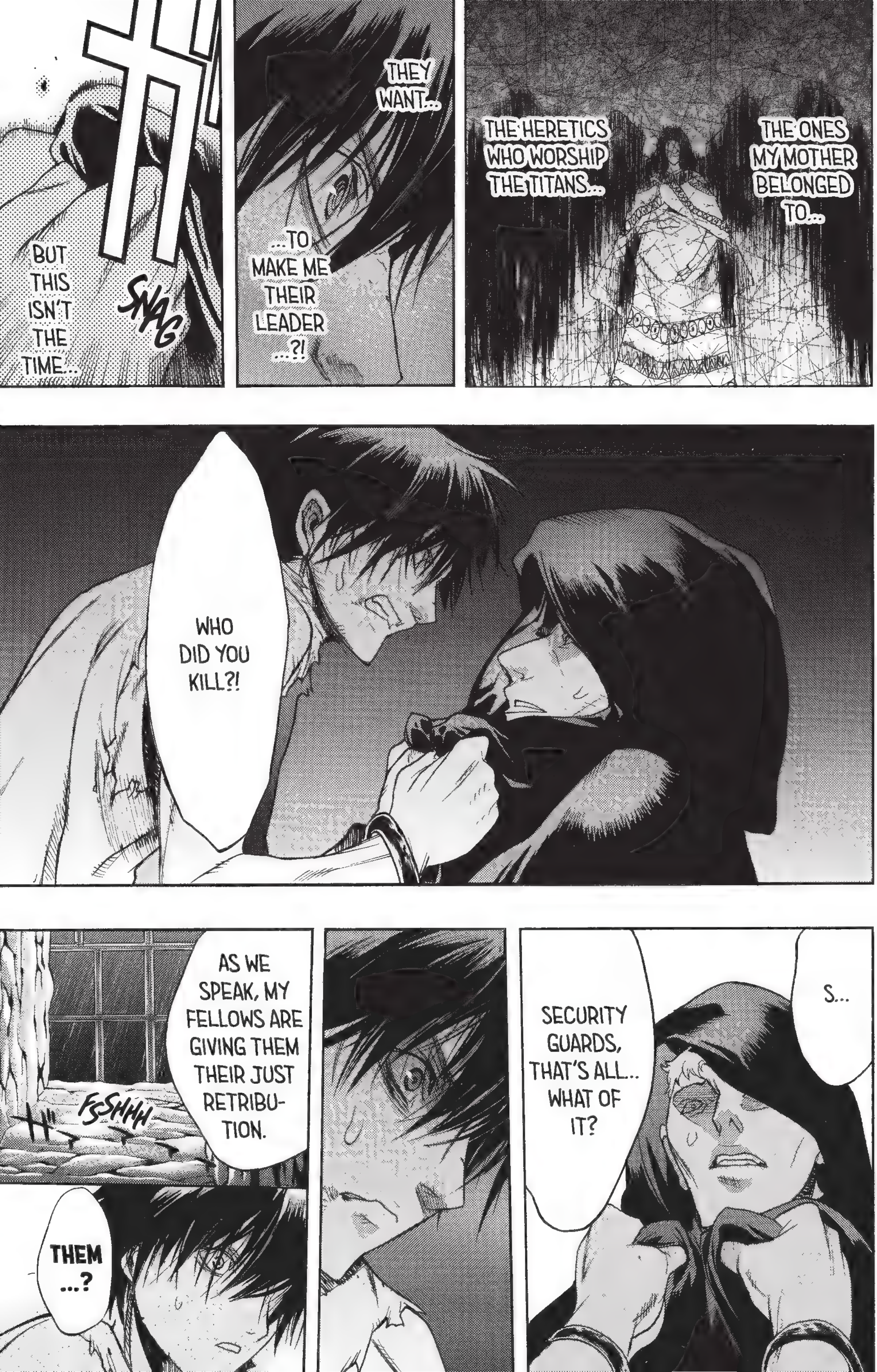

I HAVE COME FOR YOU.
I HAD HOPED TO RESCUE YOU SOONER.
FINDING YOUR TRAIL TOOK LONGER THAN I PREDICTED.
PLEASE FORGIVE ME.
...?!
WHAT'S HAPPENING?
SHOULD I ASK...? NO...

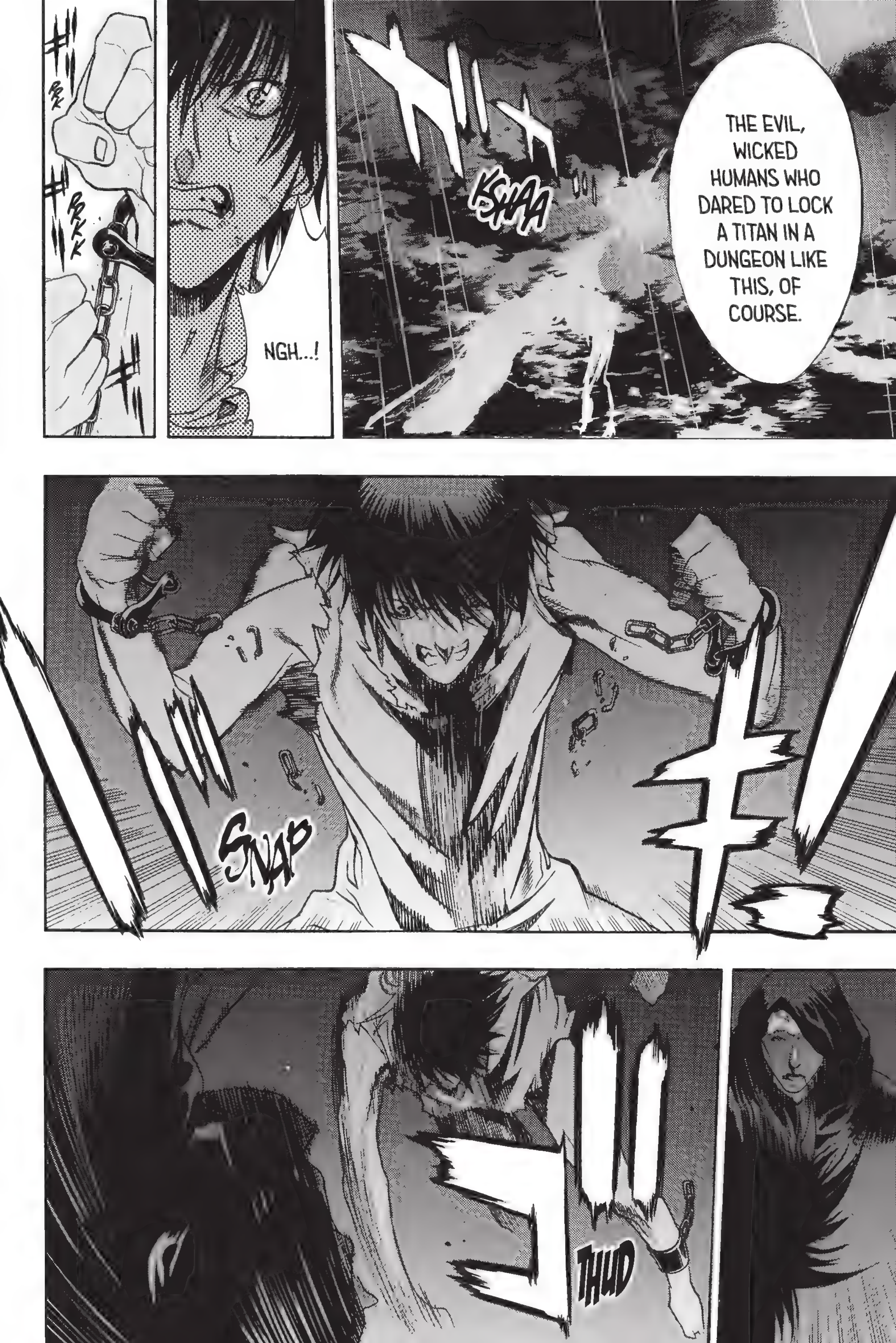

IT'S TOO DANGEROUS TO SPEAK FIRST...
I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT HIM...
HE WAS SEARCHING FOR ME...
THAT MEANS...
...HE WAS SEARCHING FOR THE TITAN'S SON...
COME, ALLOW ME TO UNDO YOUR BONDS.
...WHAT DO I DO...?
HOW CAN I LEARN ABOUT HIM...? I CANNOT JUST WAIT HERE LIKE THIS.
SHARLE WILL COME VERY SOON WITH SUPPLIES FOR OUR ESCAPE...
IF SHE SHOULD COME...
ゴロゴロ
CRACKLE
...WHILE HE IS HERE...
ガッ
ガッ
KSHAAA

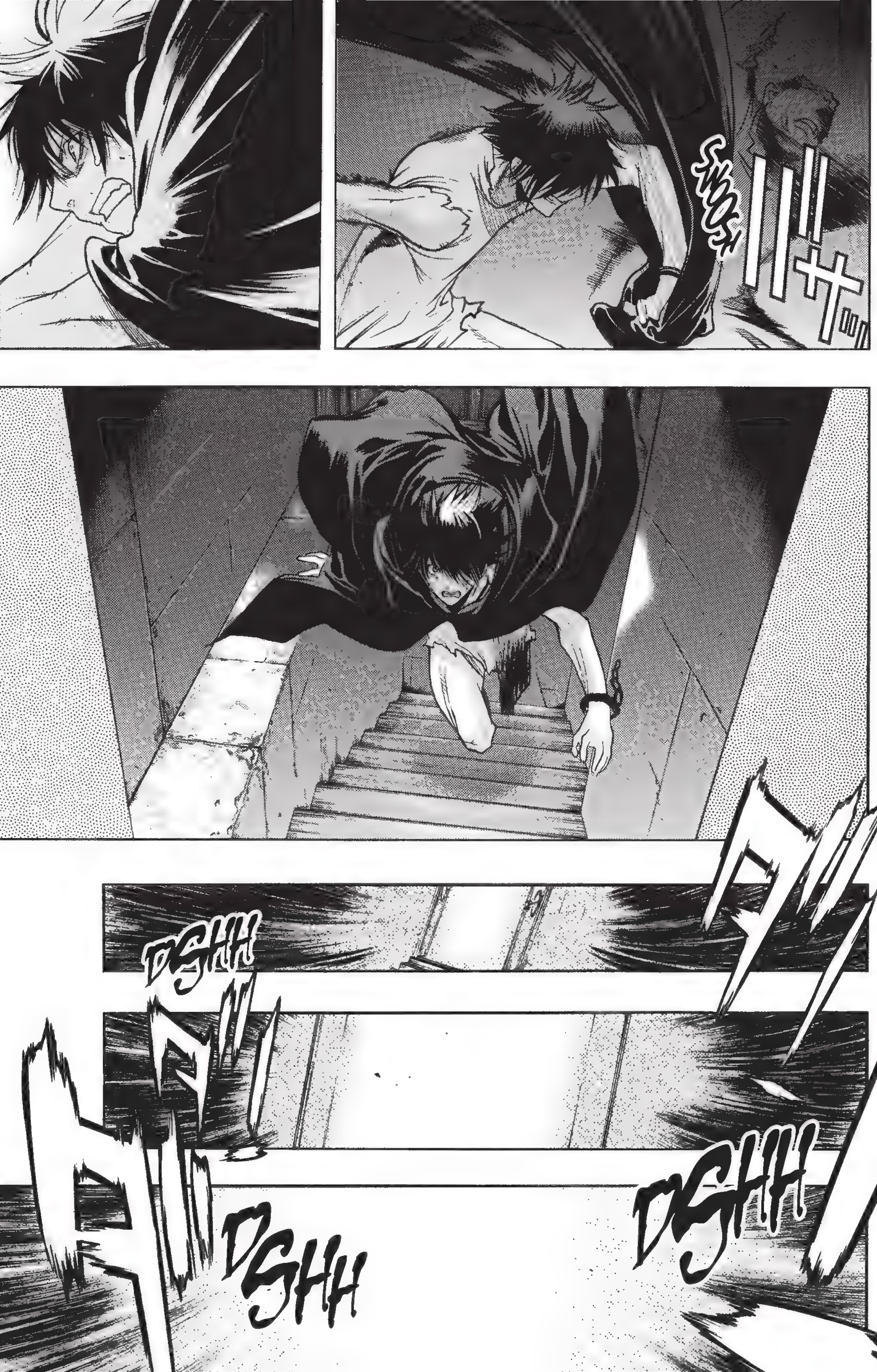

SHHHK

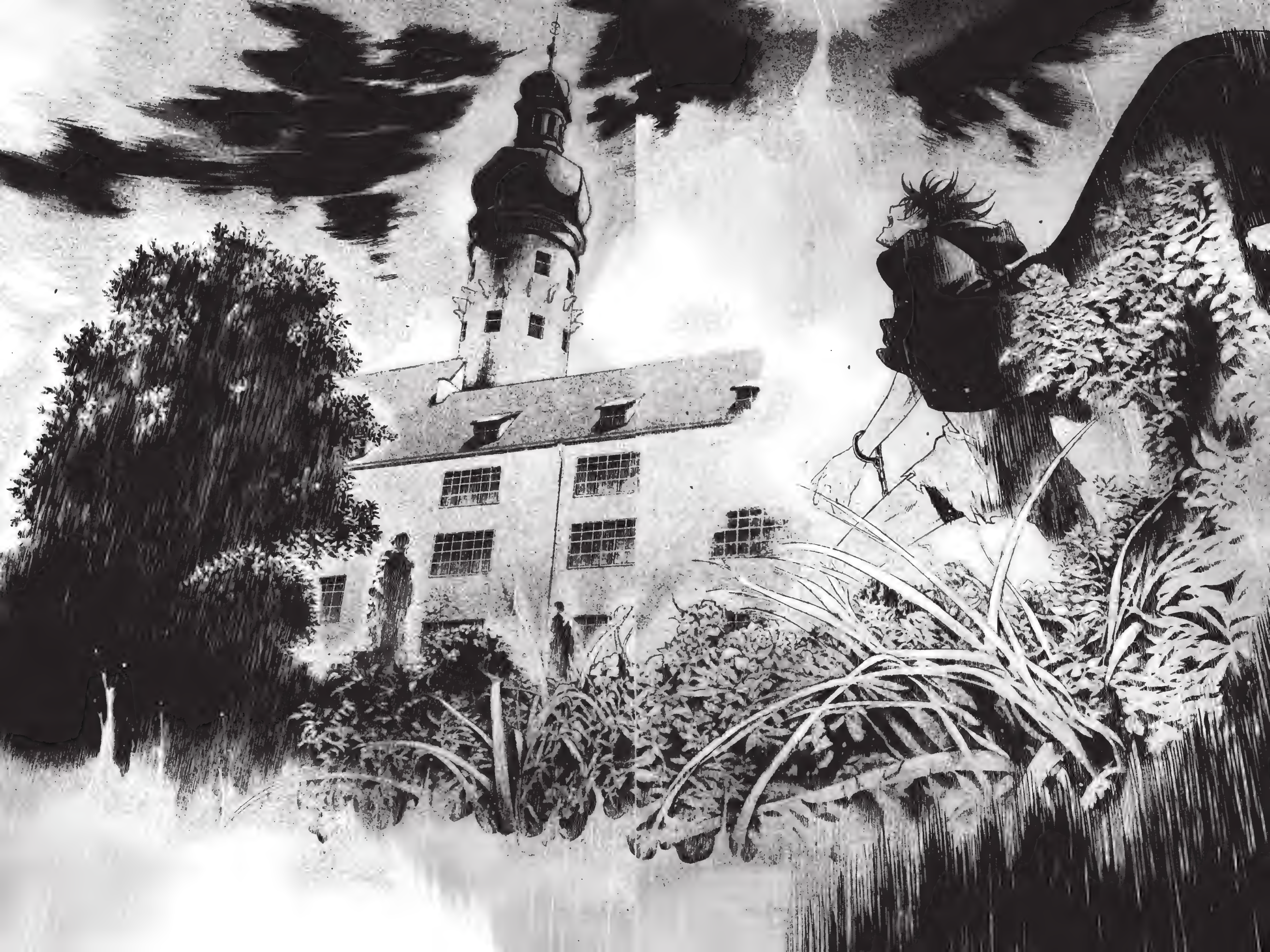

HEY !!
WHO DID YOU KILL ?!!
WHY...

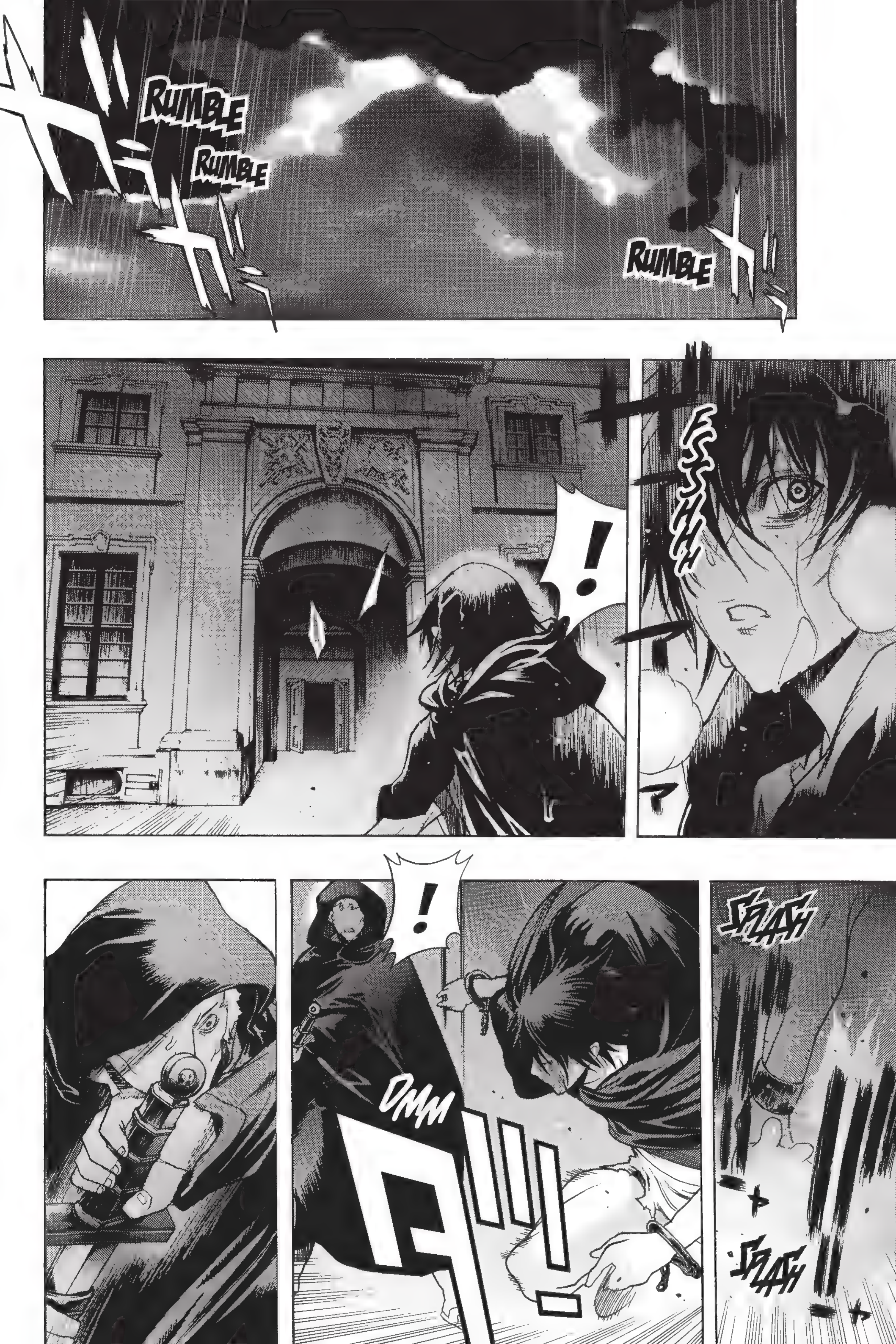

HOW WONDERFUL !!
YOU CAN ALREADY SPEAK OUR TONGUE?!
YOU ARE INDEED THE GREAT TITAN !!!
...HE'S ONE OF THEM...
THE TITAN WORSHIPERS...
SHARLE TOLD ME ABOUT THEM.

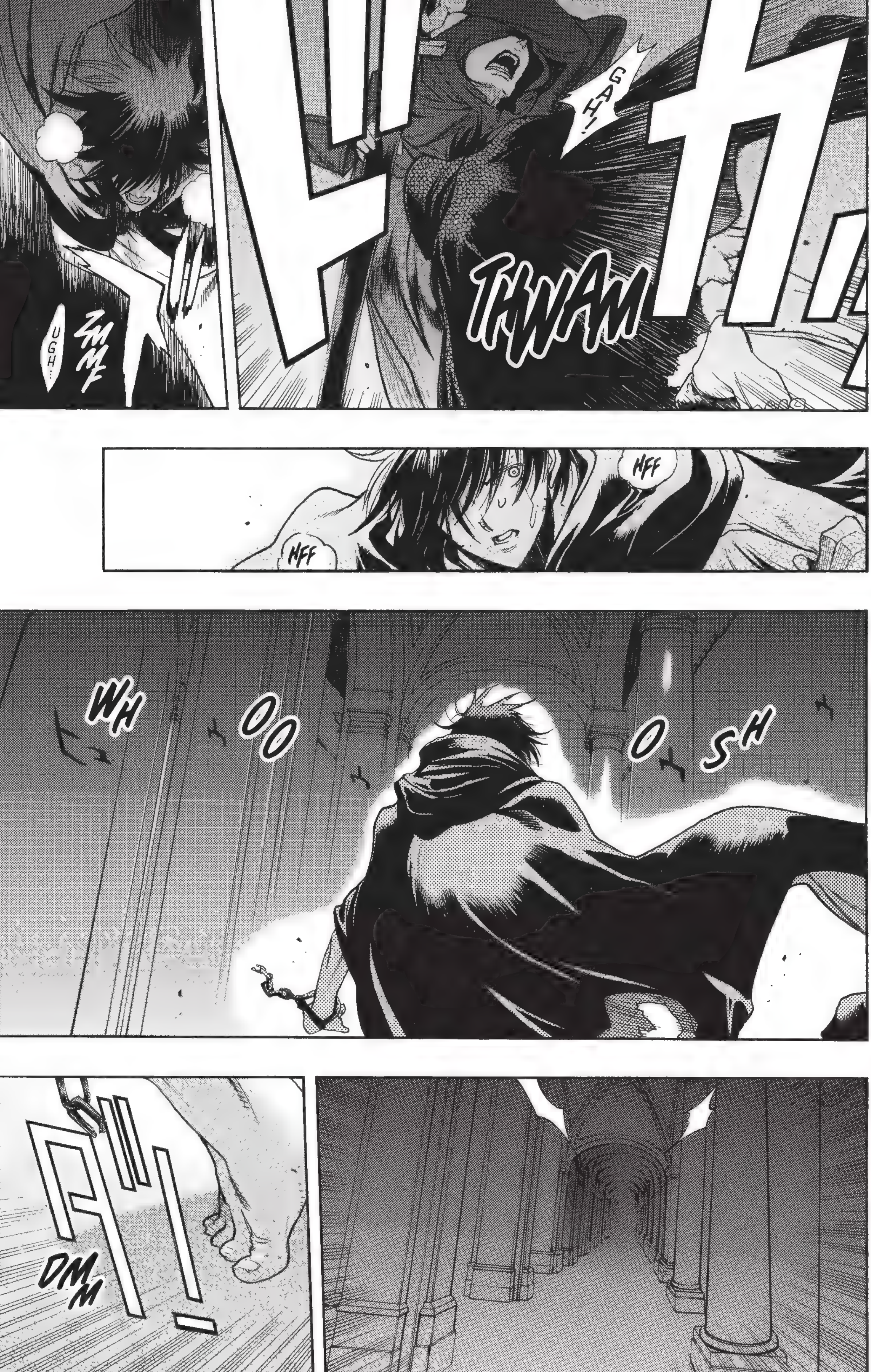

THE ONES MY MOTHER BELONGED TO...
THE HERETICS WHO WORSHIP THE TITANS...
THEY WANT...
...TO MAKE ME THEIR LEADER ...?!
SNAG
BUT THIS ISN'T THE TIME...
WHO DID YOU KILL?!
S...
SECURITY GUARDS, THAT'S ALL... WHAT OF IT?
AS WE SPEAK, MY FELLOWS ARE GIVING THEM THEIR JUST RETRIBUTION.
FSSHHH
THEM ...?

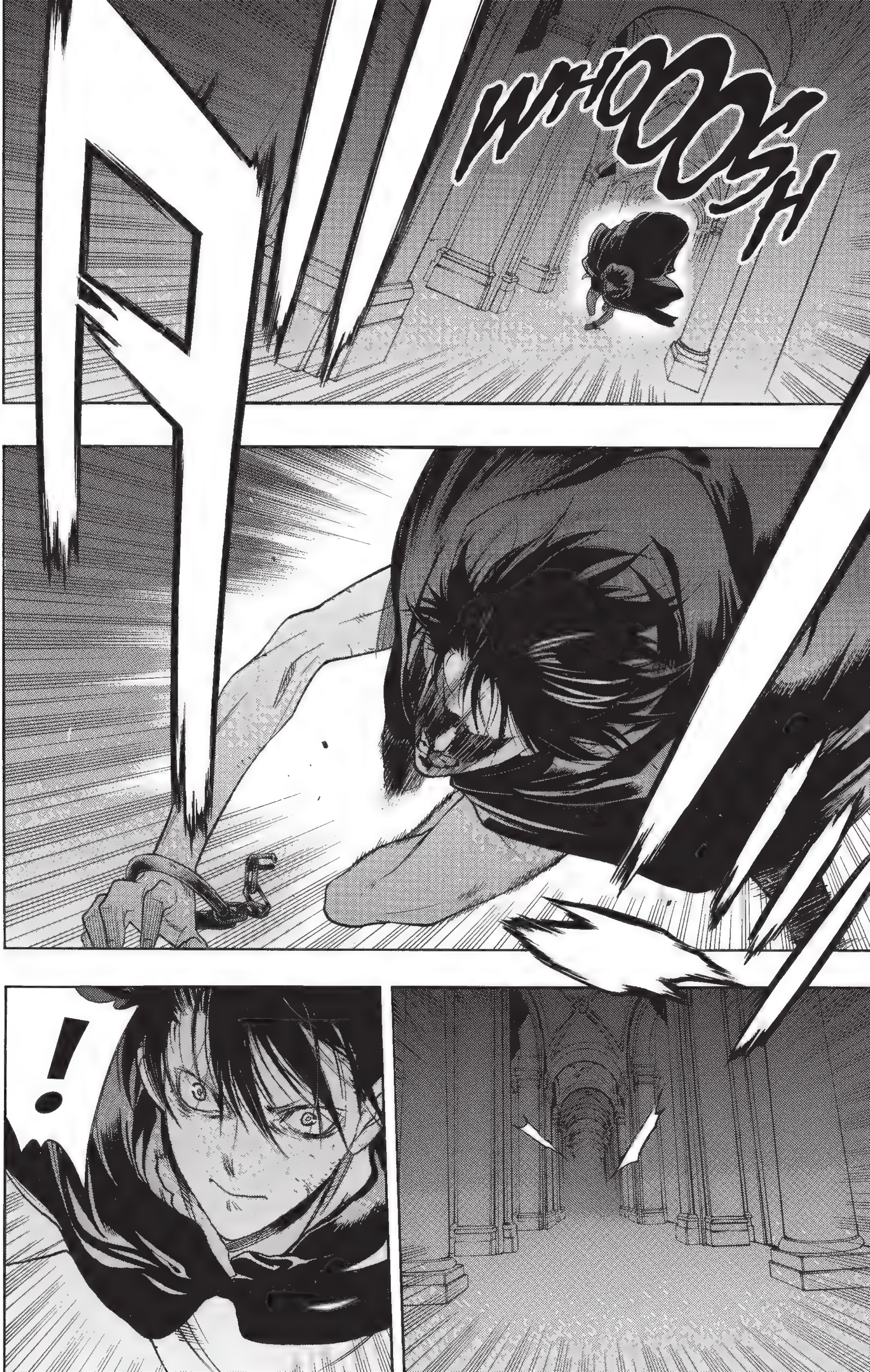

THE EVIL, WICKED HUMANS WHO DARED TO LOCK A TITAN IN A DUNGEON LIKE THIS, OF COURSE.
KSHAA
NGH...!
GRK
GRKKK
SNAP
THUD

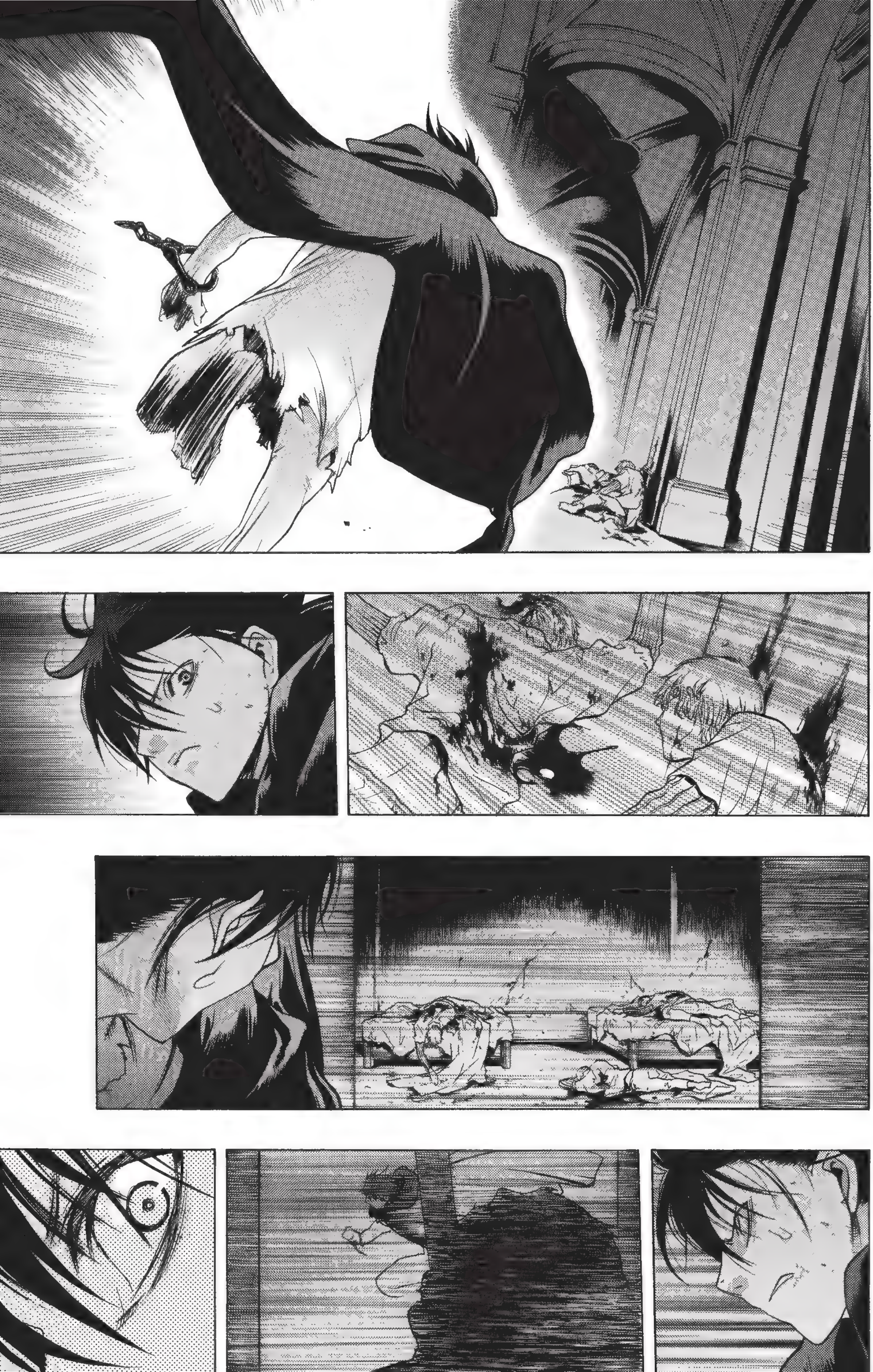

SWOSH
DSHH
DSHH
DSHH

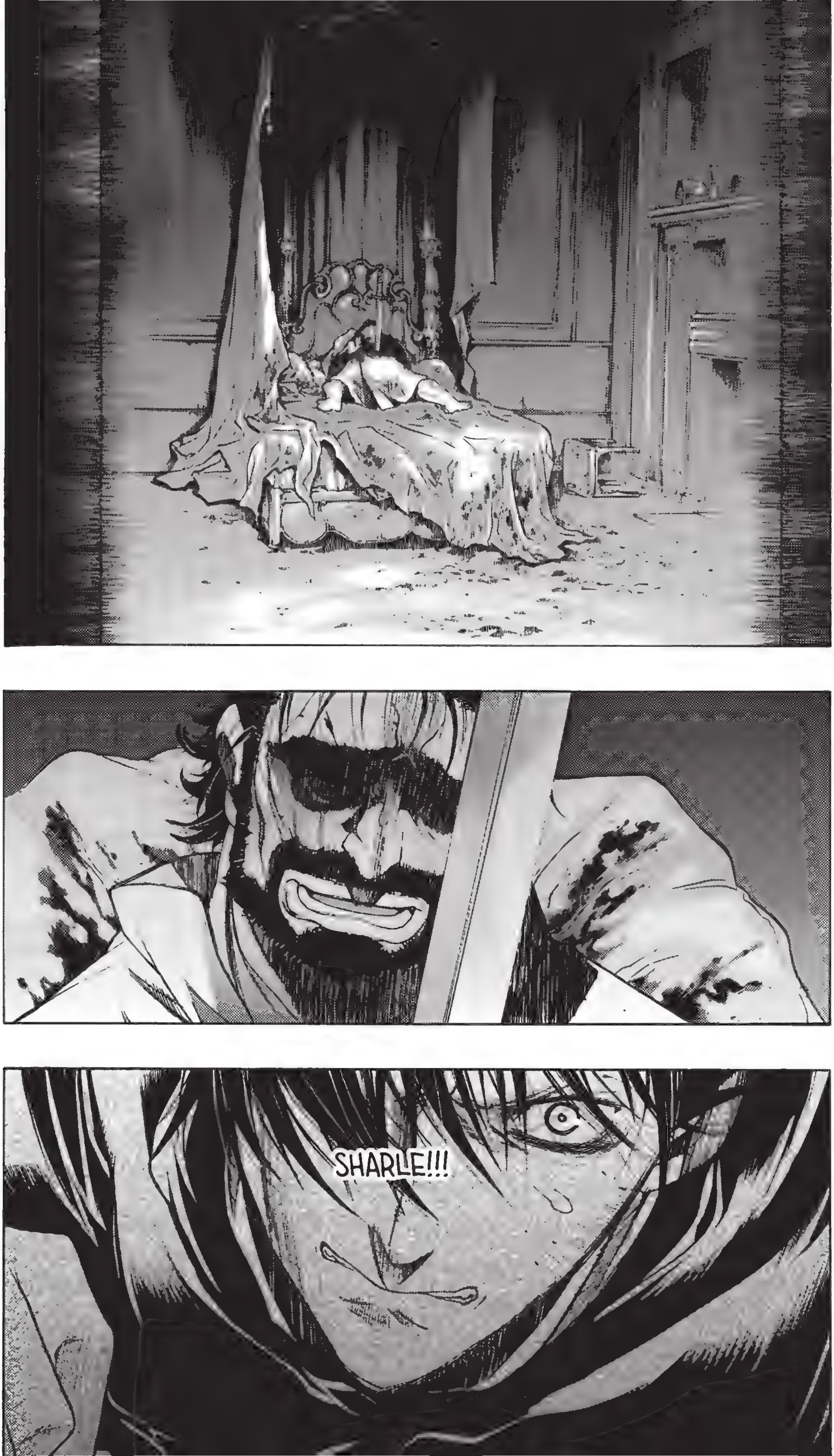


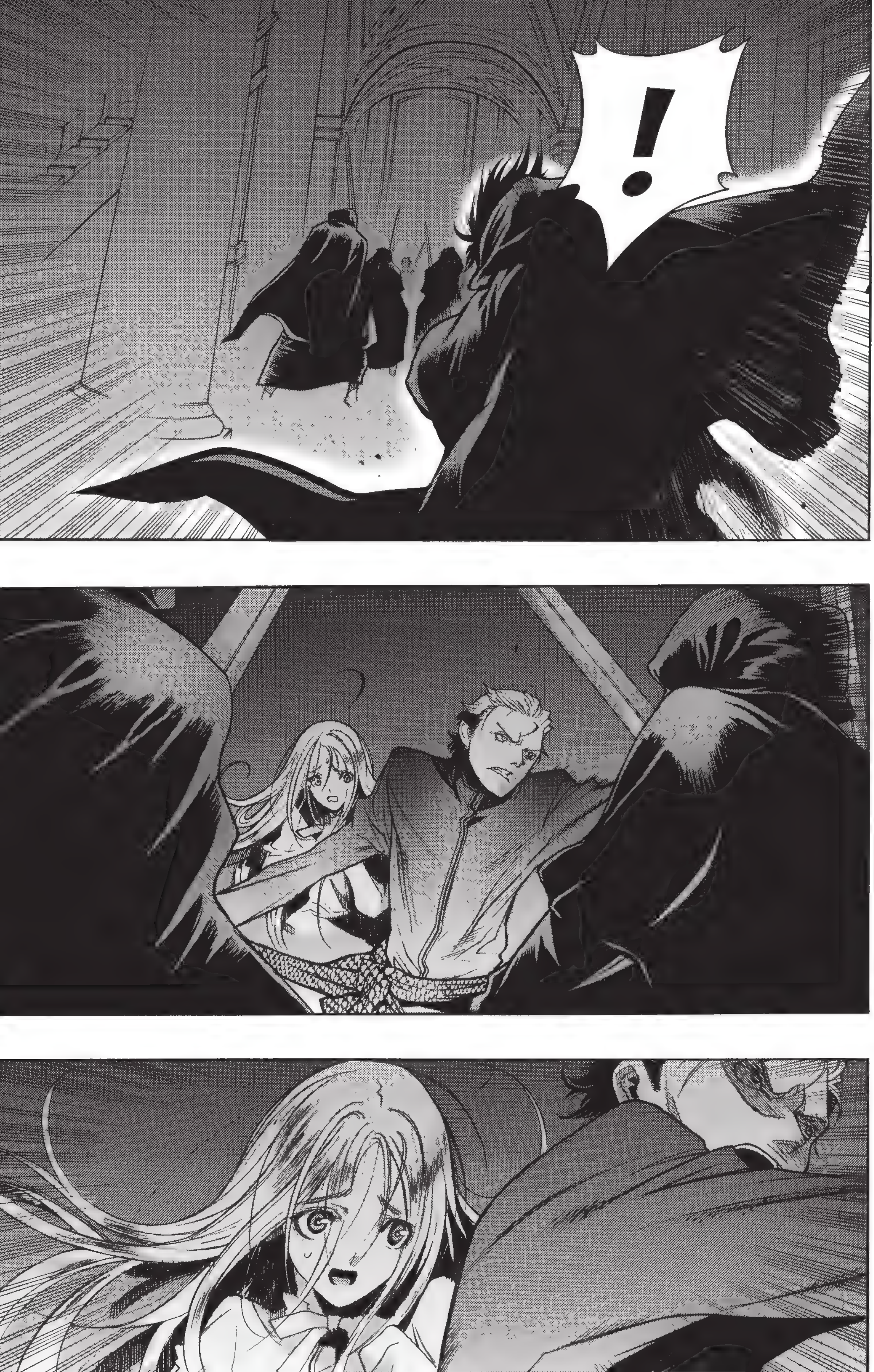

RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
FSSHHH
!
SPLASH
SPLASH
!
DMM

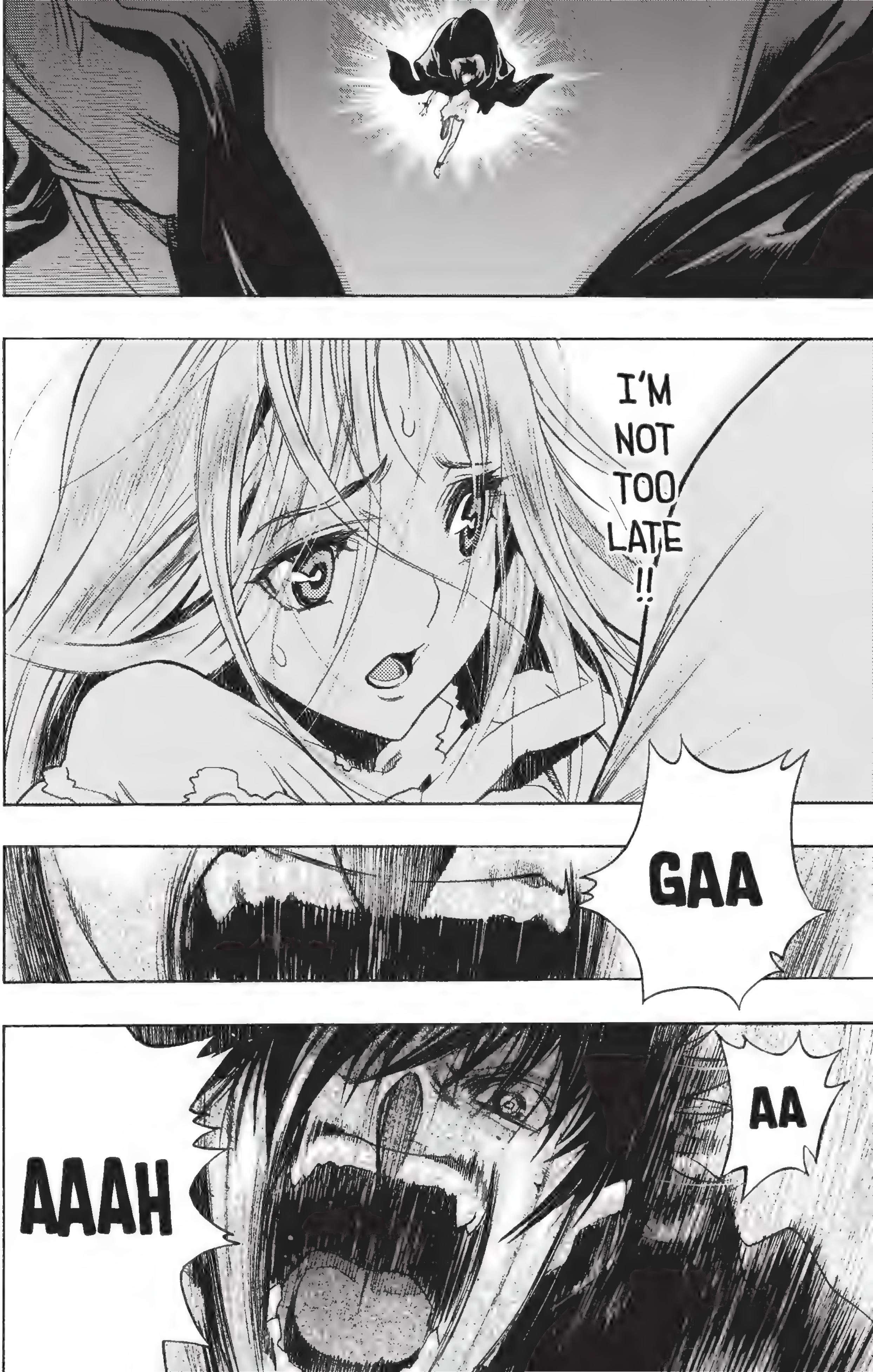

GAH!
THWAM
UGH...
ZMMF
HFF
HFF
WHOOOSH
DMM

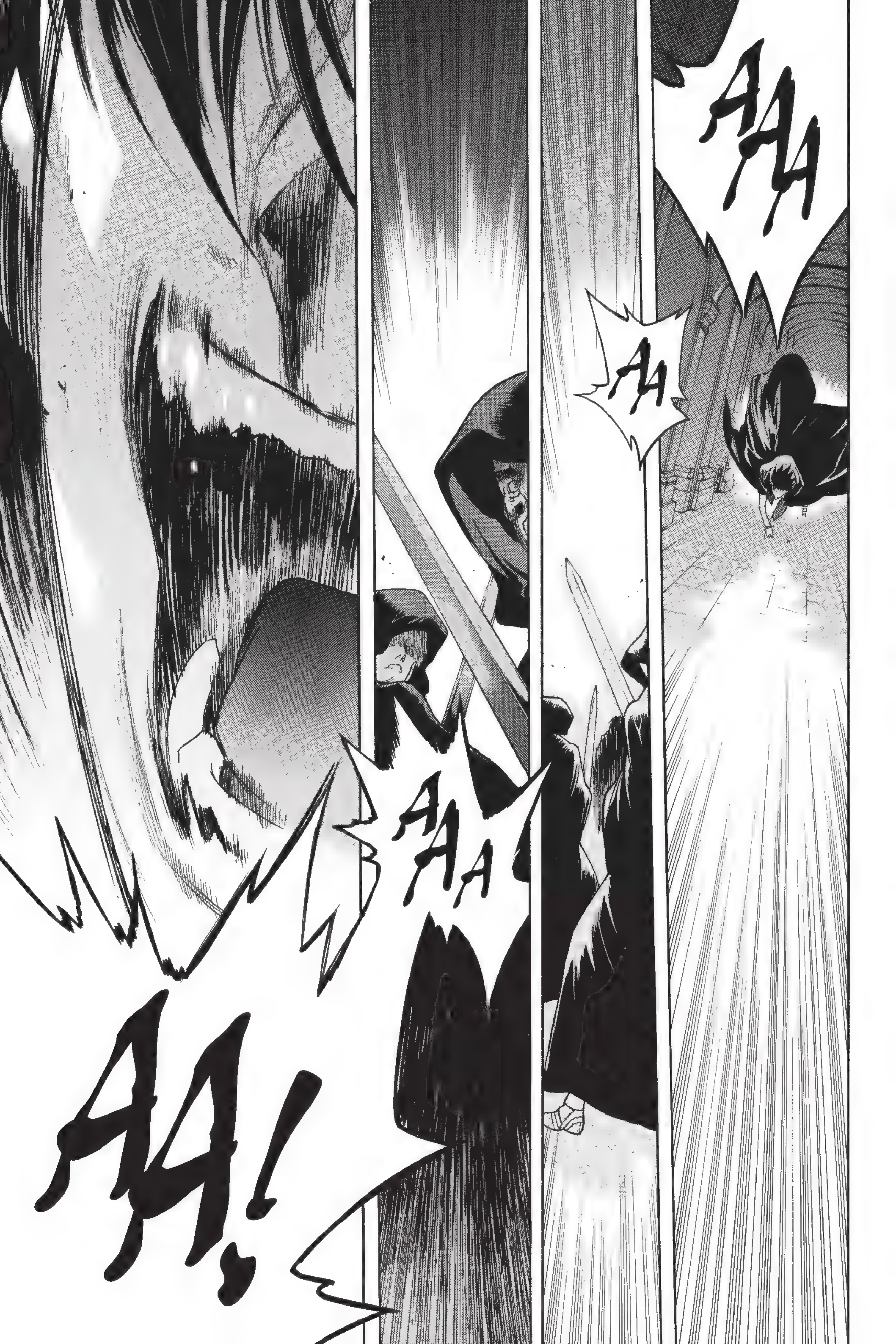

WHOOOSH
!

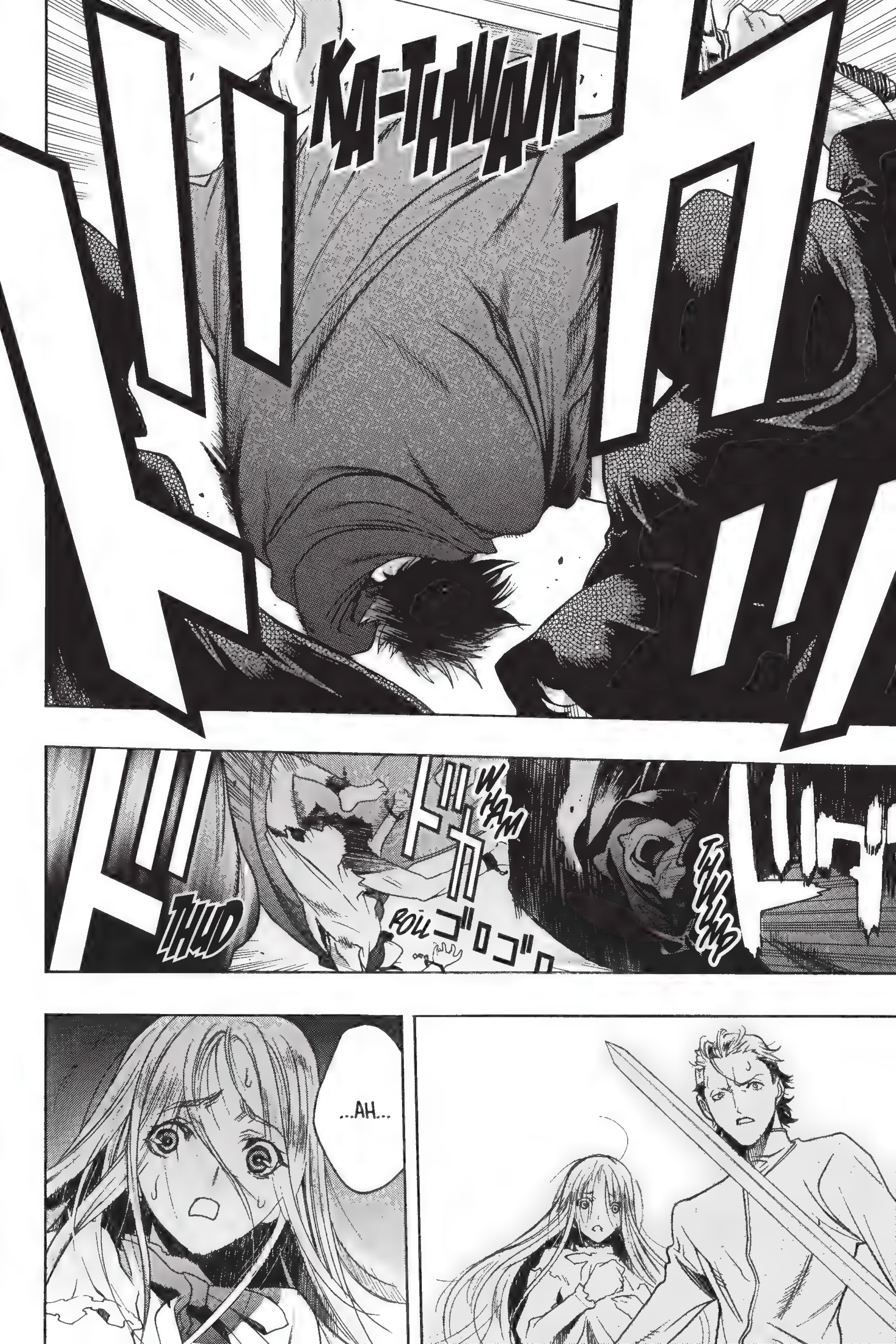


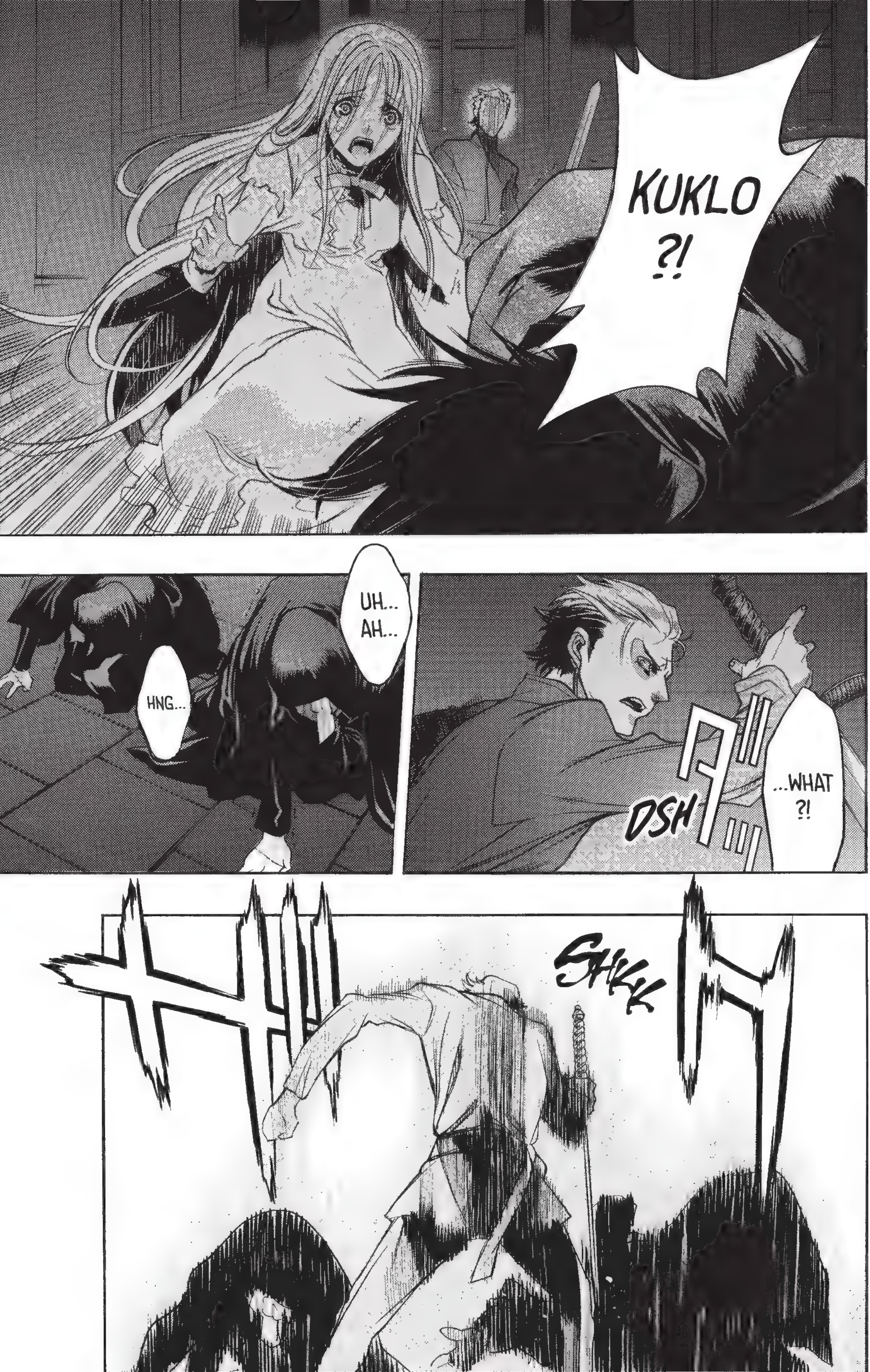

SHARLE!!!

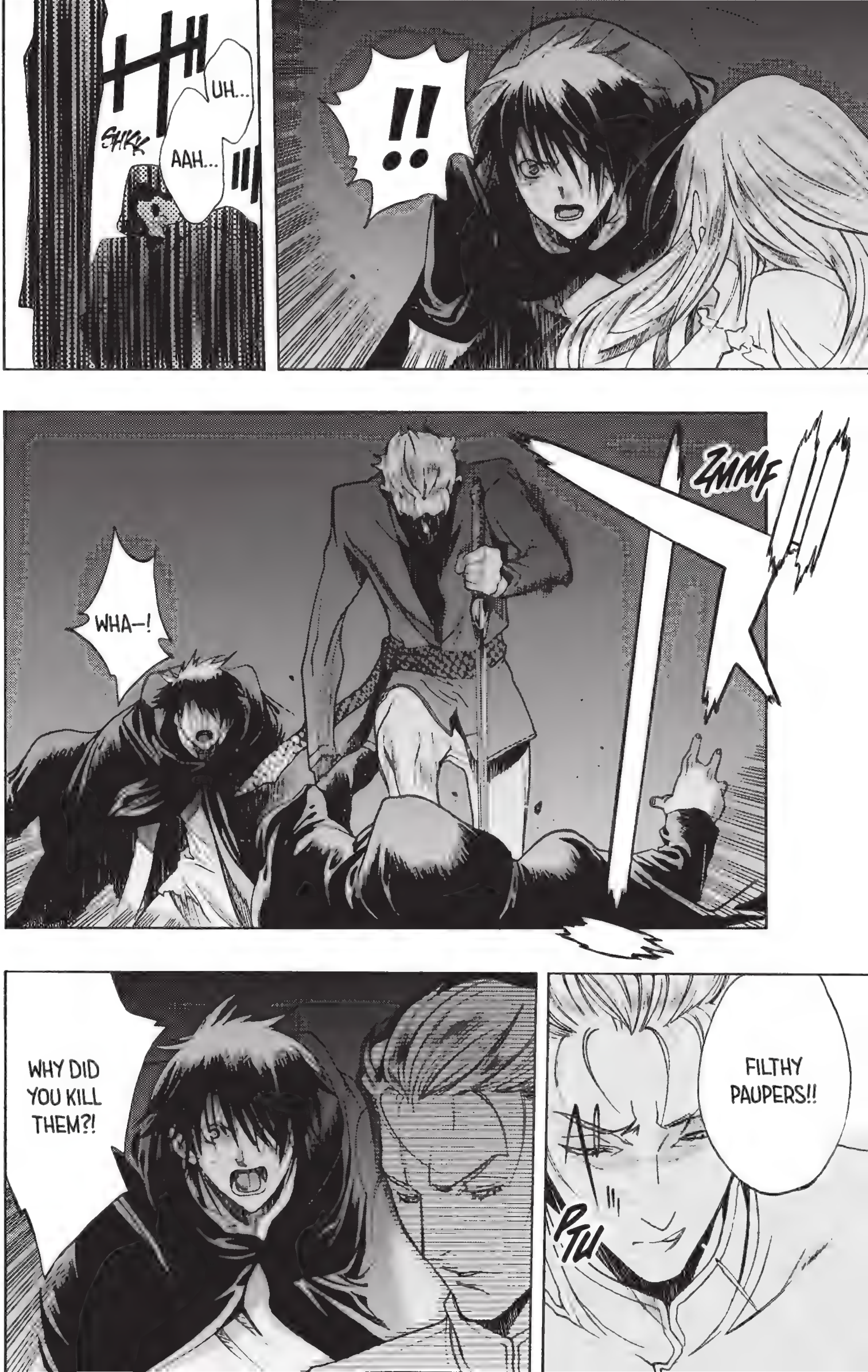


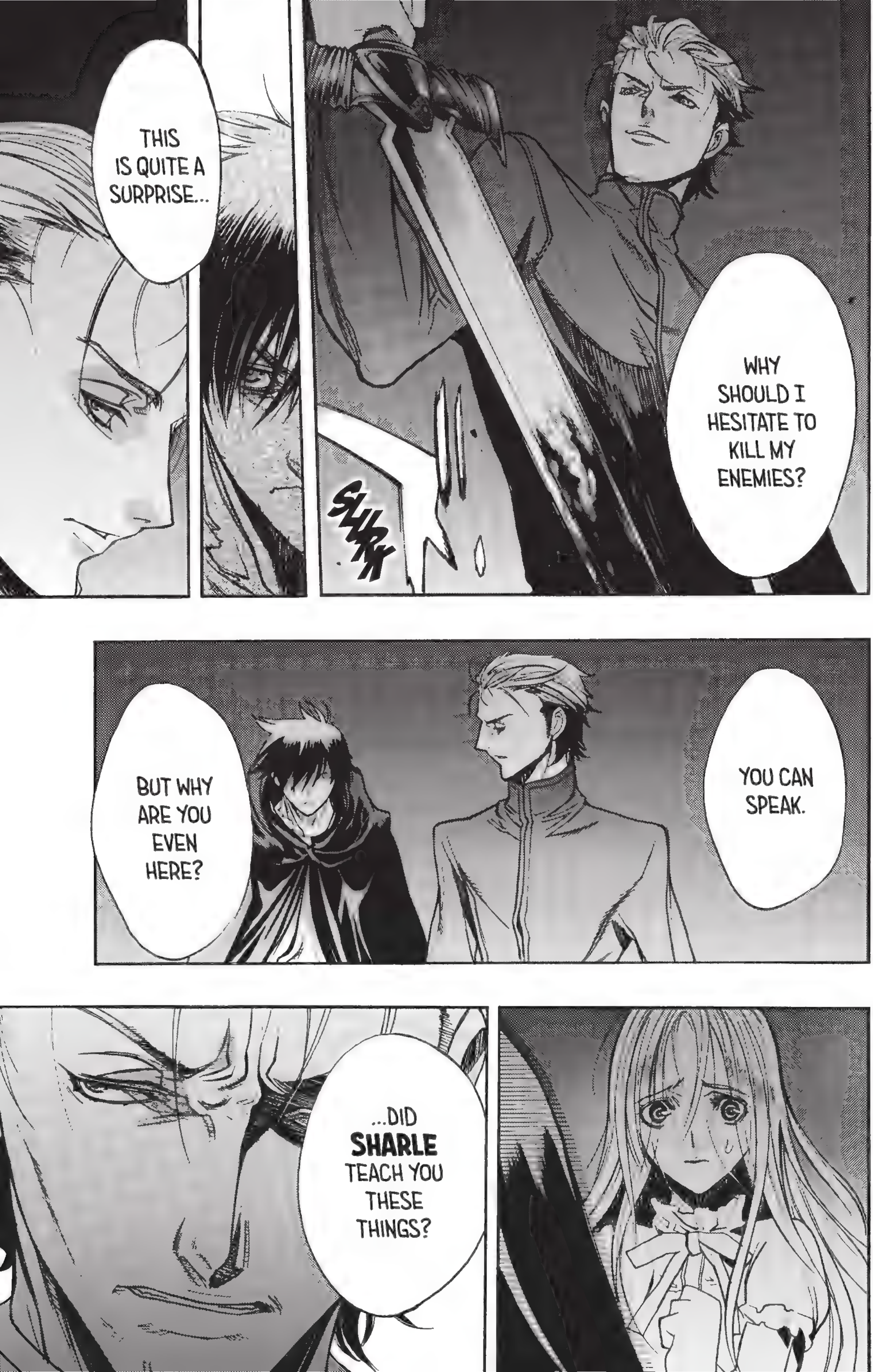

I'M NOT TOO LATE!!
GAA
AA
AAAH

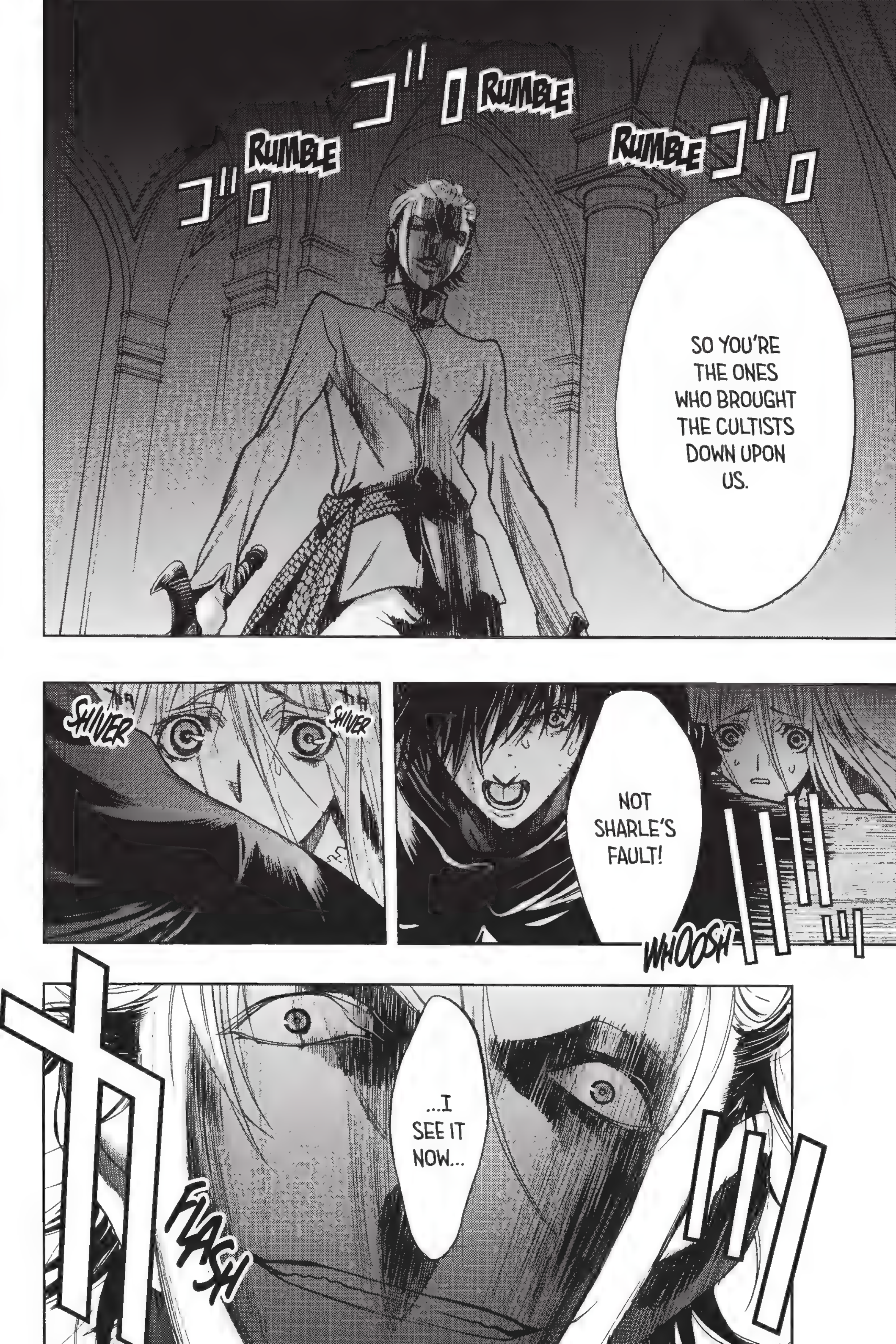

AAA
AA
AAA
AA!

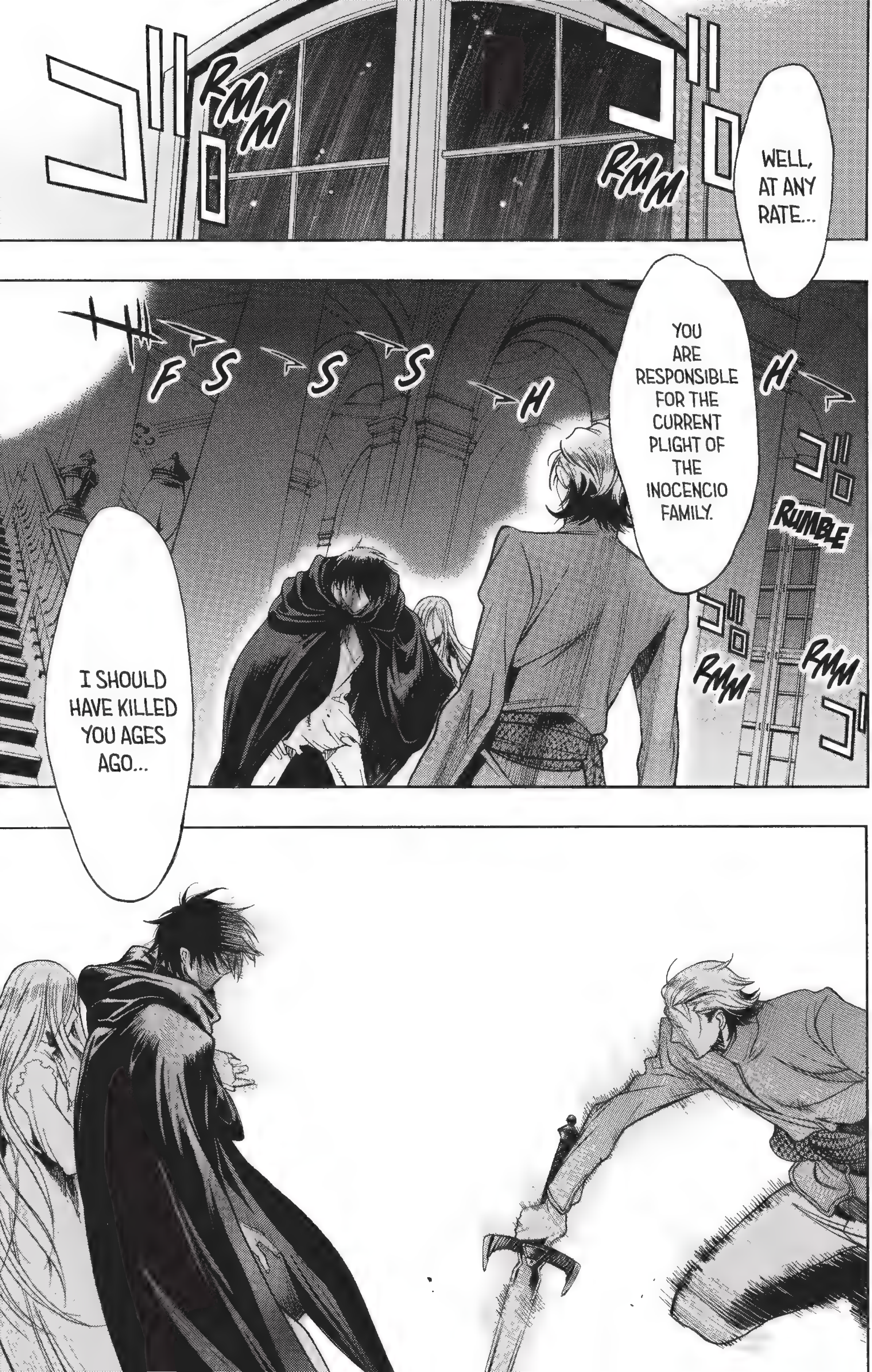

KA-THWAM
THWUMP
WHAM
ドカ
ROLL
ゴロゴロ
THUD
...AH...

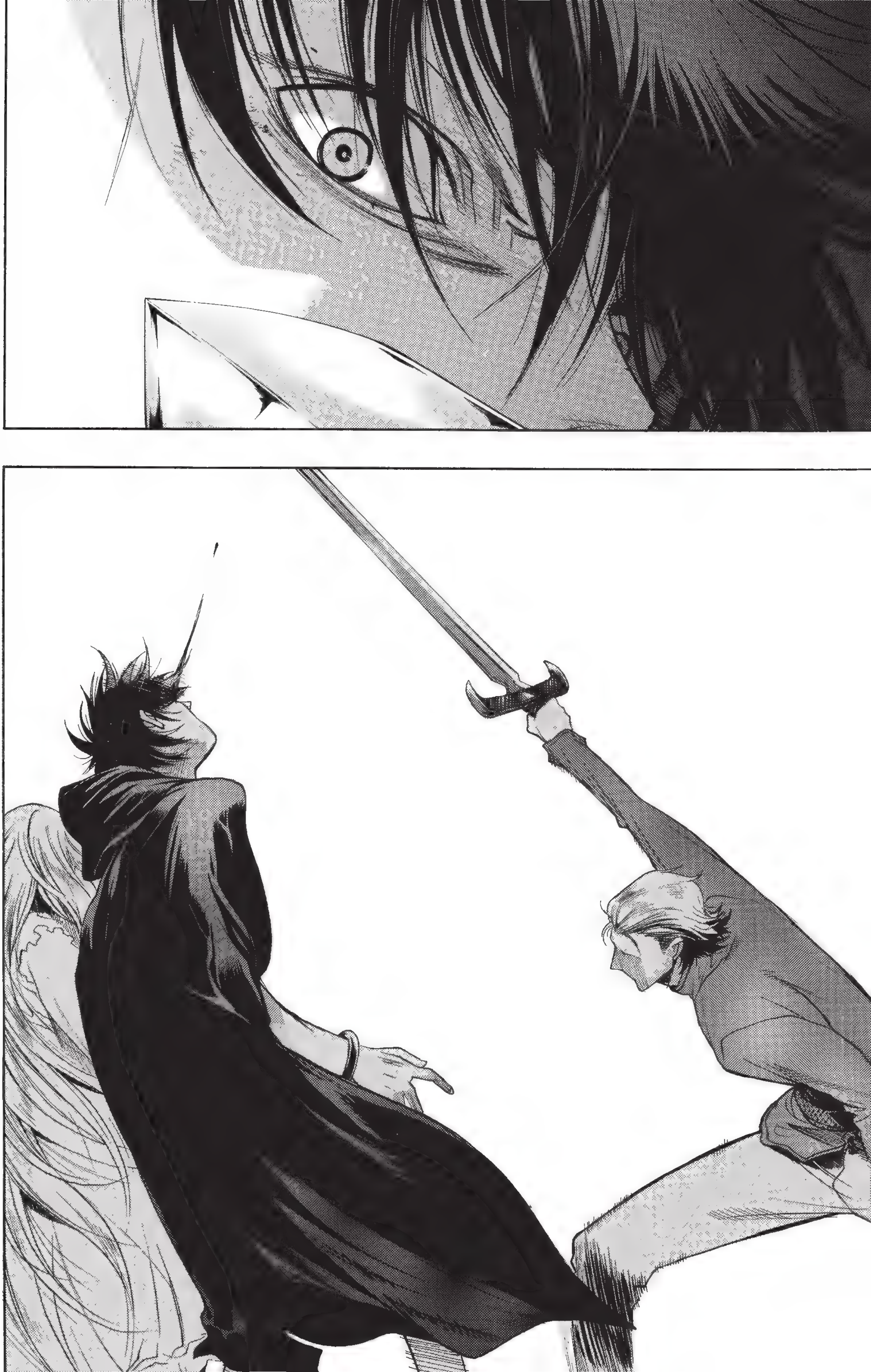

KUKLO ?!
...WHAT ?!
DSH
UH... AH...
HNG...
SHKK

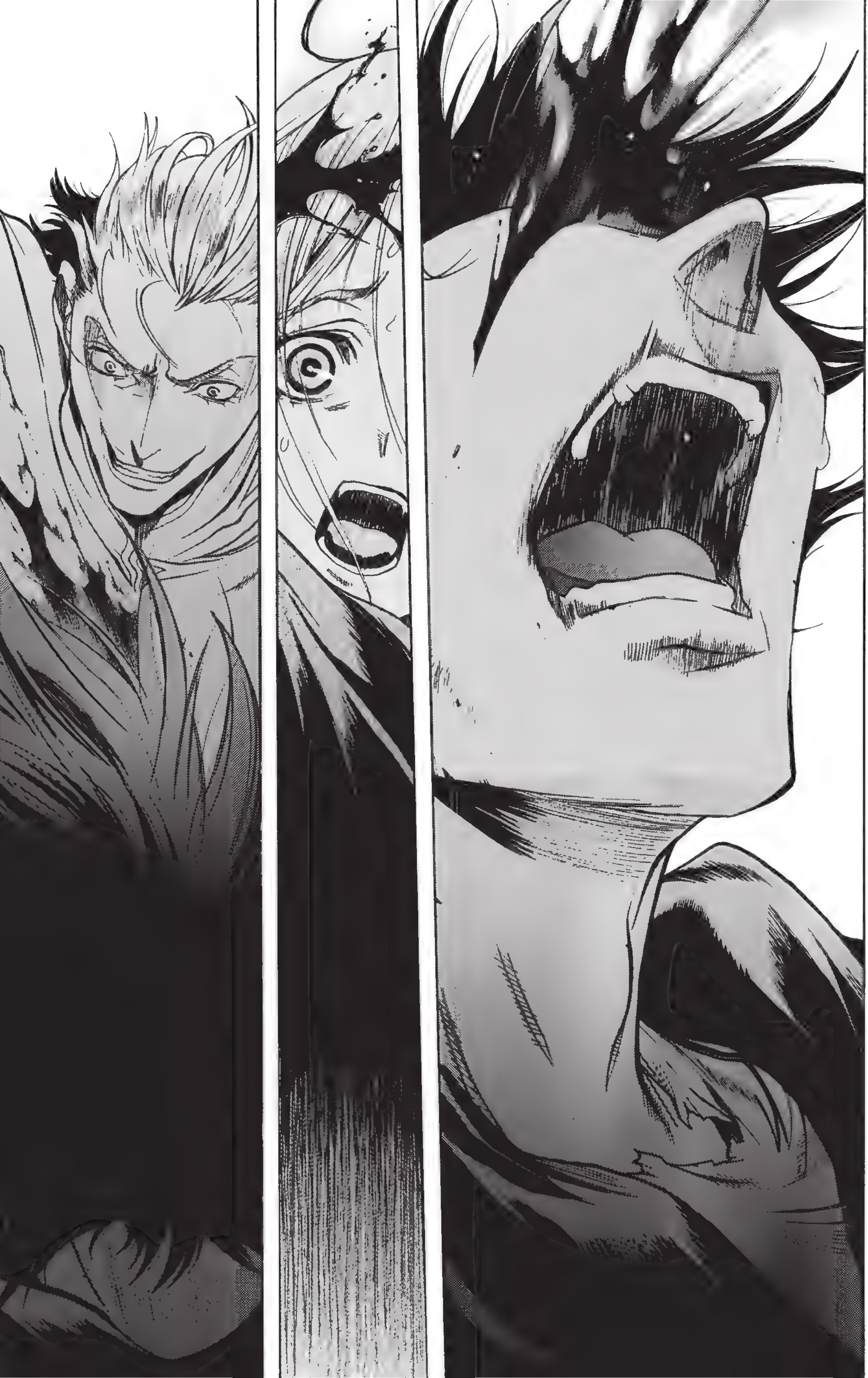

!!
UH...
AAH...
SHKK
ZUMF
WHA—!
FILTHY PAUPERS!!
PTU
WHY DID YOU KILL THEM?!

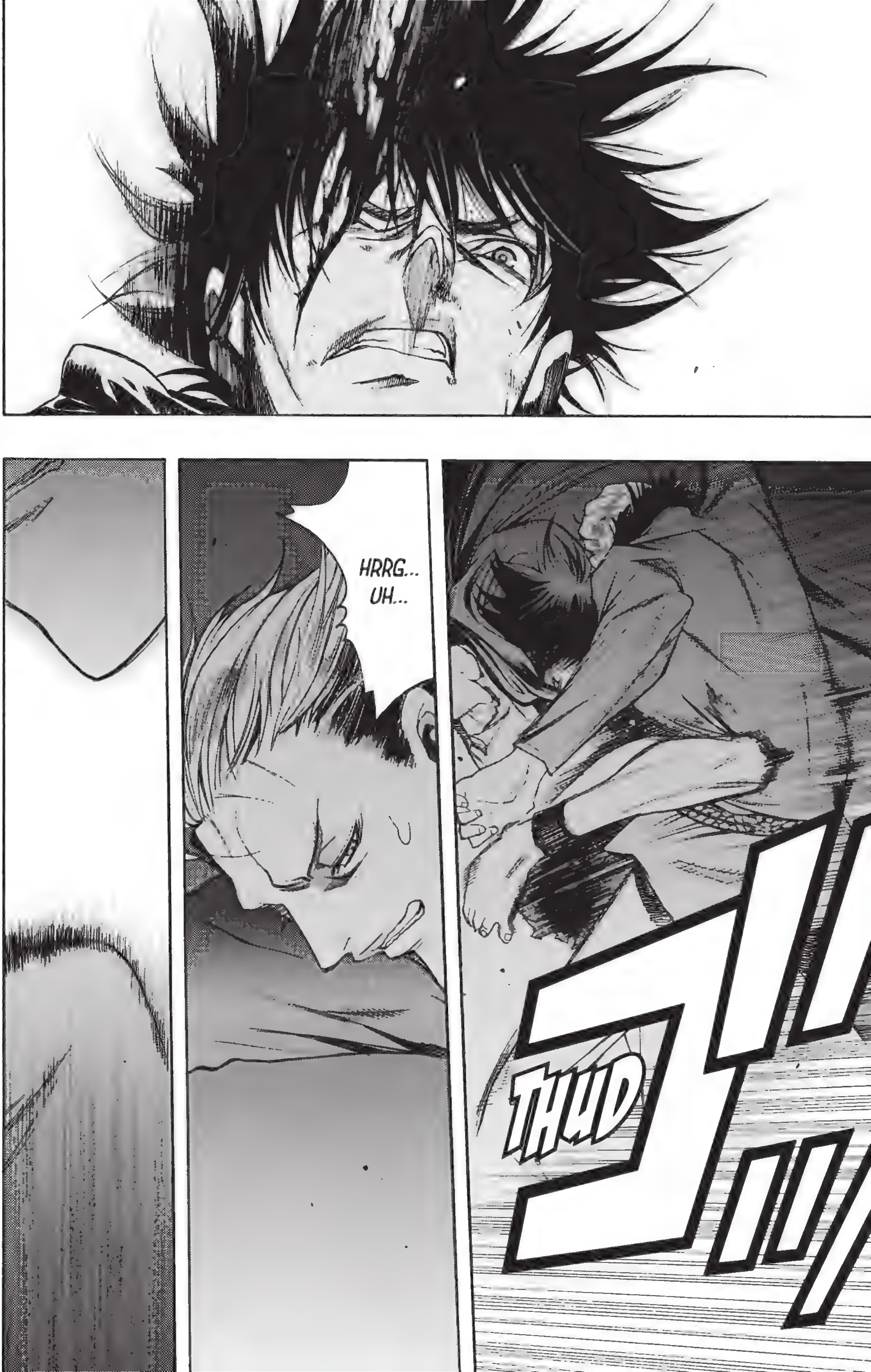

WHY SHOULD I HESITATE TO KILL MY ENEMIES?
SLURK
THIS IS QUITE A SURPRISE...
YOU CAN SPEAK.
BUT WHY ARE YOU EVEN HERE?
...DID **SHARLE** TEACH YOU THESE THINGS?

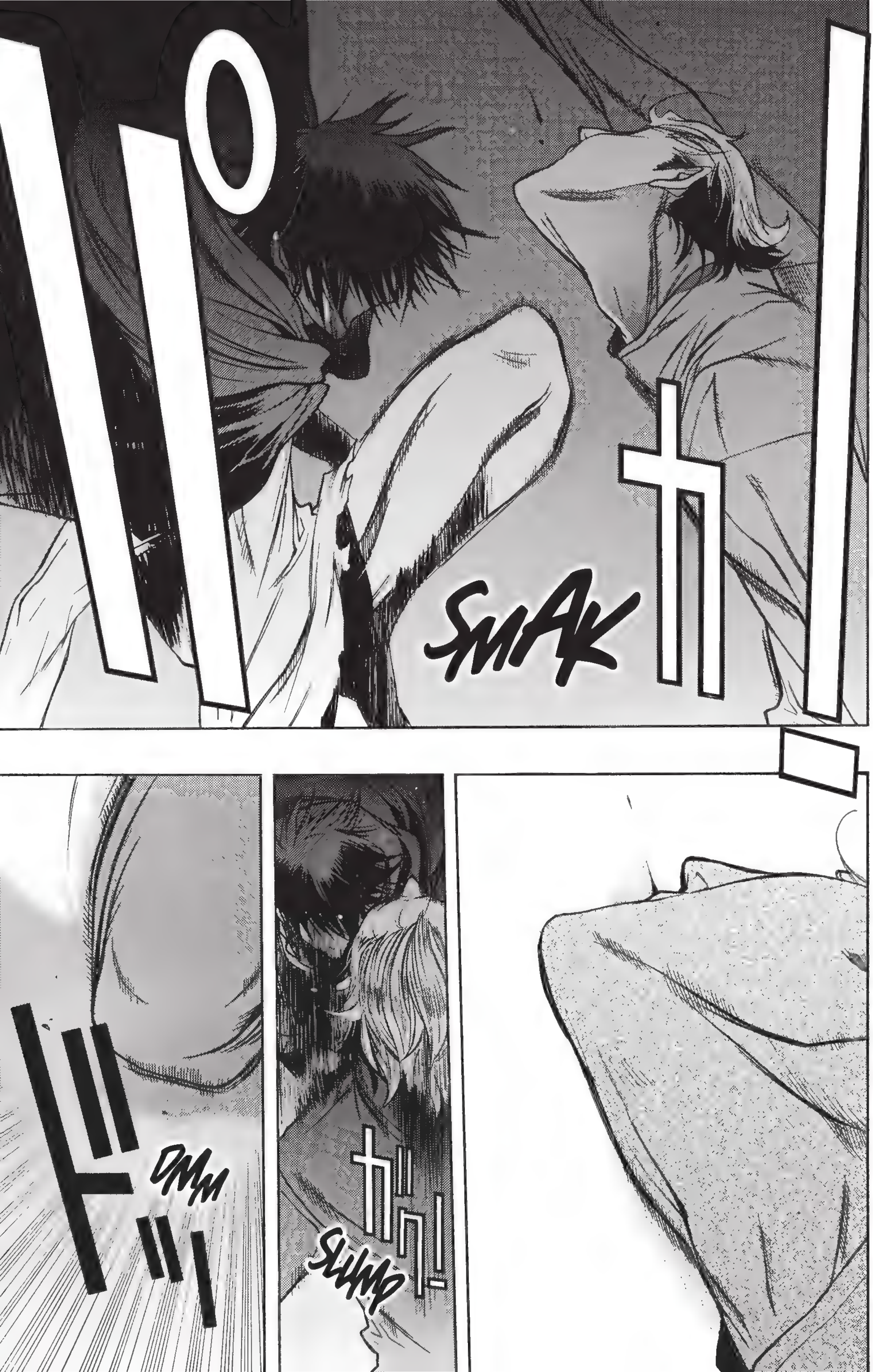

ゴゴ RUMBLE
ゴゴ RUMBLE
ゴゴ RUMBLE
SO YOU'RE THE ONES WHO BROUGHT THE CULTISTS DOWN UPON US.
NOT SHARLE'S FAULT!
WHOOSH
SHIVER
SHIVER
...I SEE IT NOW...
FLASH

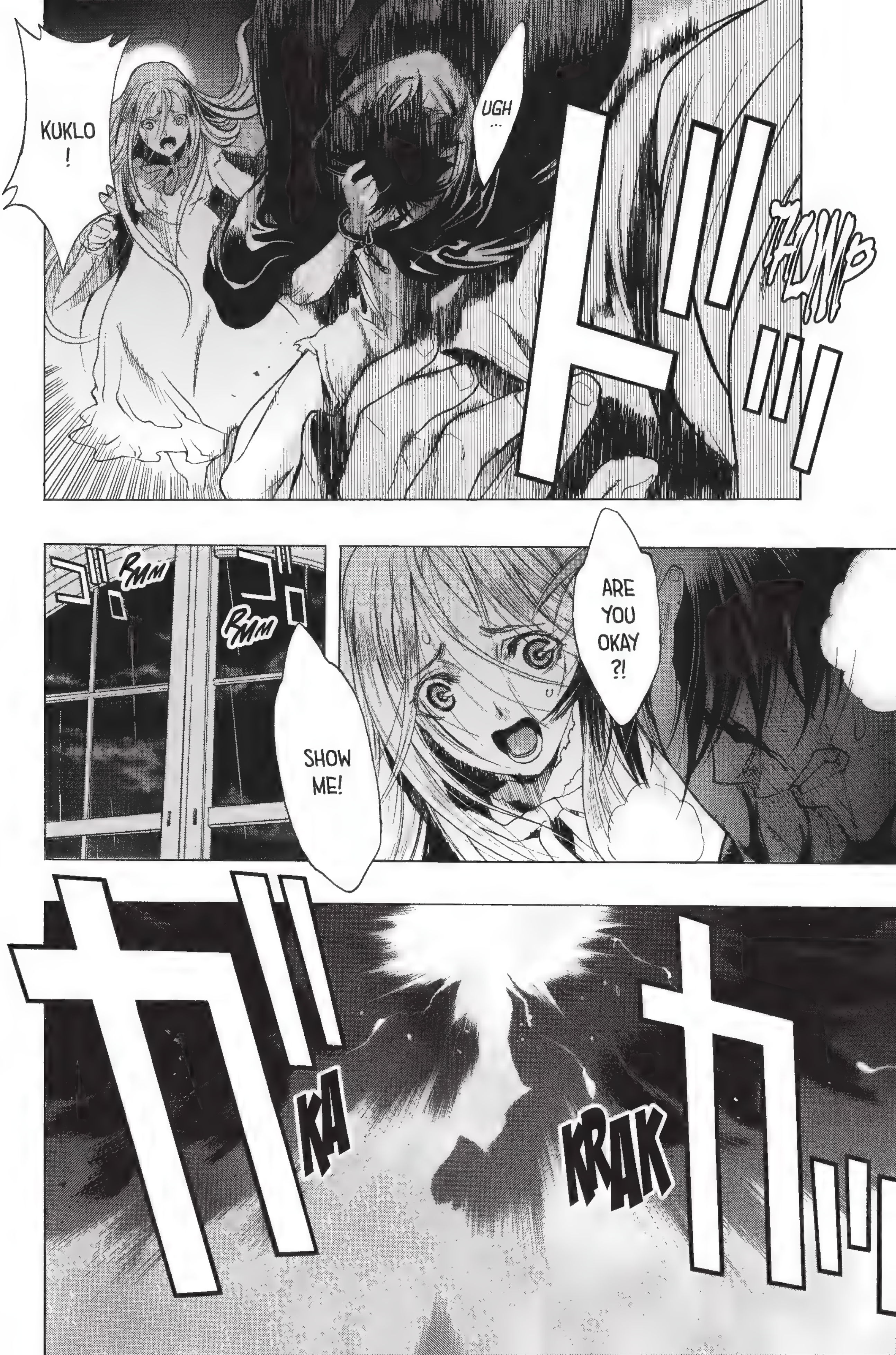

RMM
RMM
WELL, AT ANY RATE...
YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CURRENT PLIGHT OF THE INOCENCIO FAMILY.
RUMBLE
RMM
RMM
H
FSSSH
I SHOULD HAVE KILLED YOU AGES AGO...

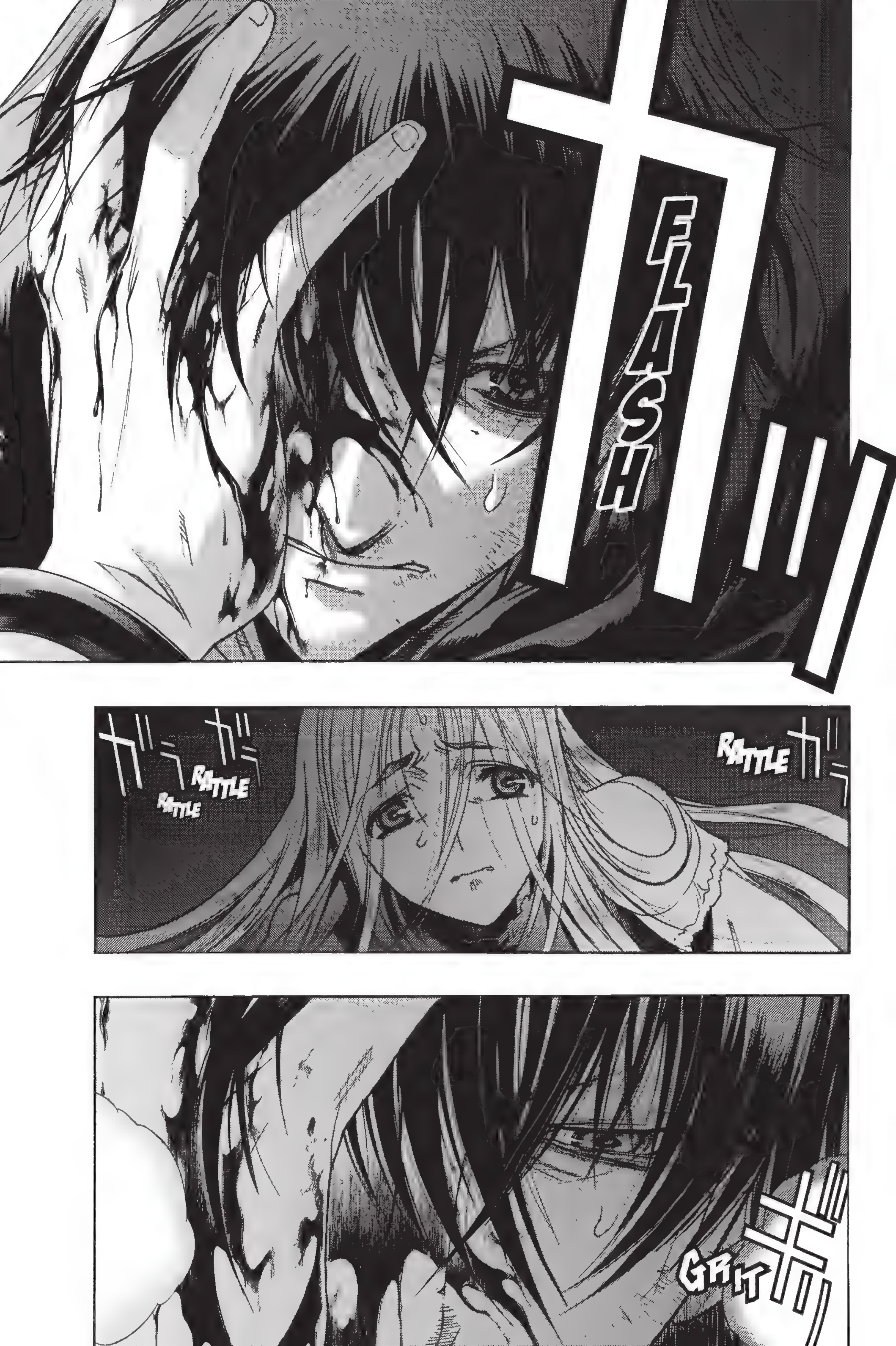


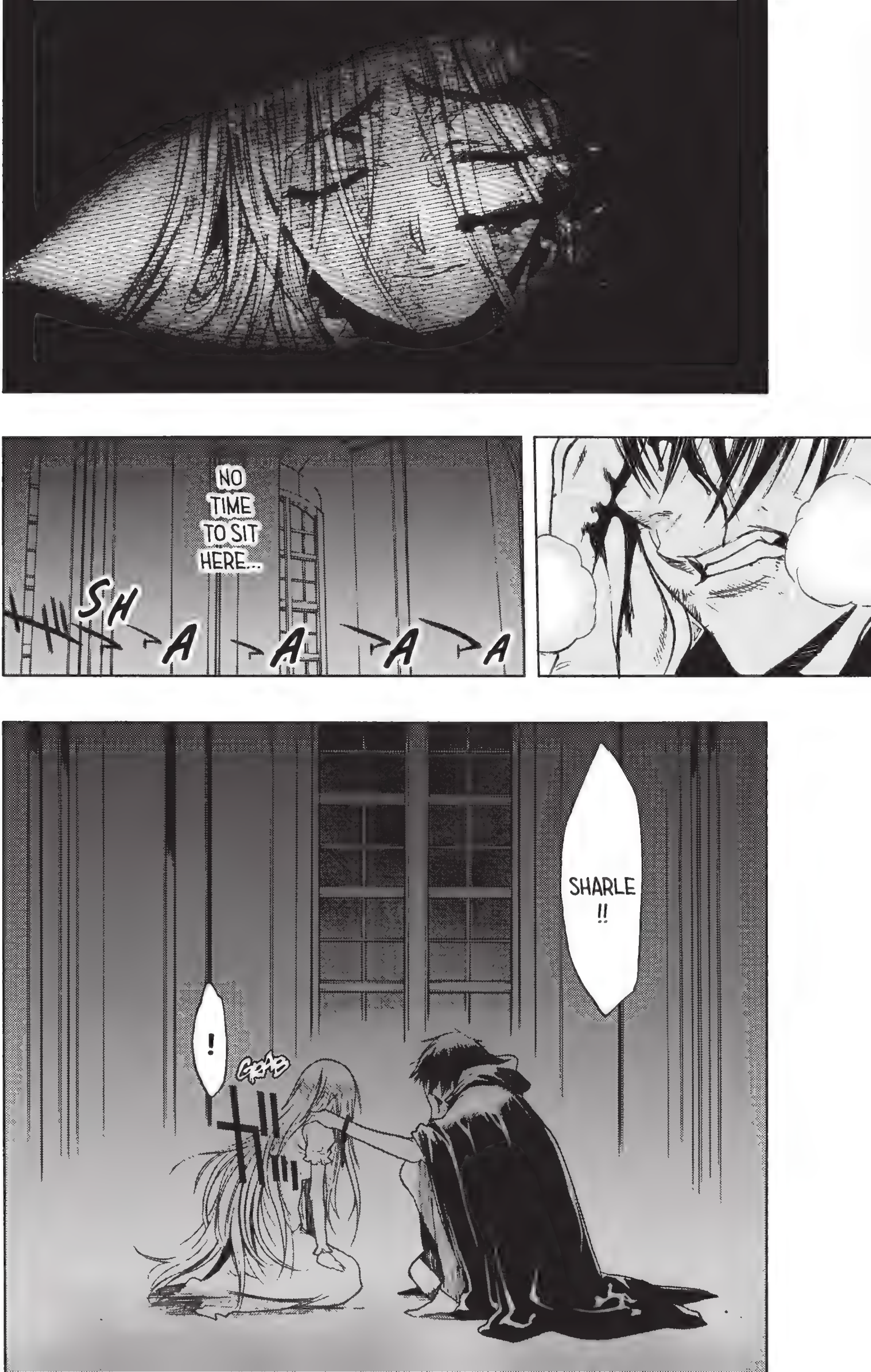


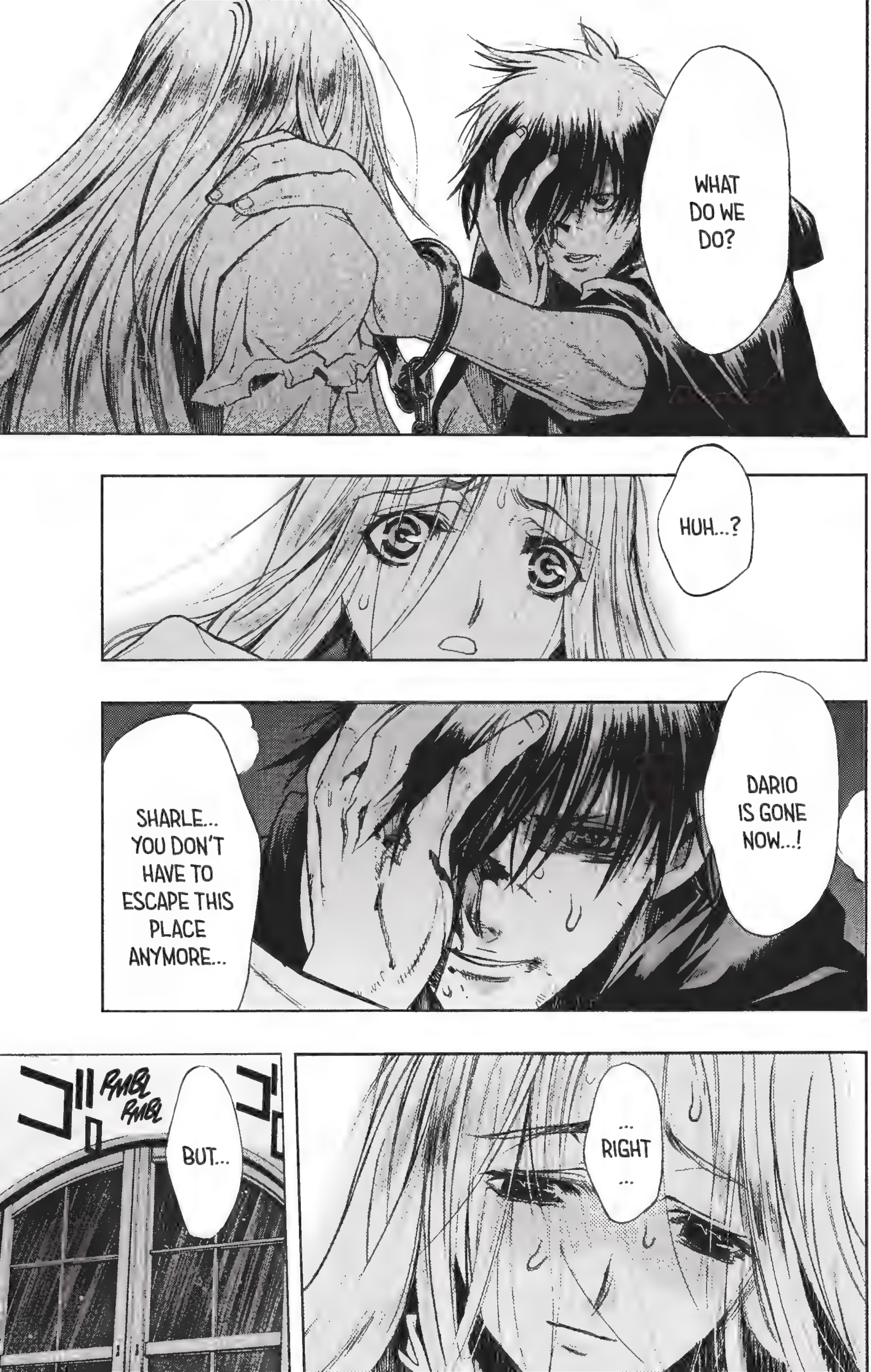

HRRG... UH...
THUD

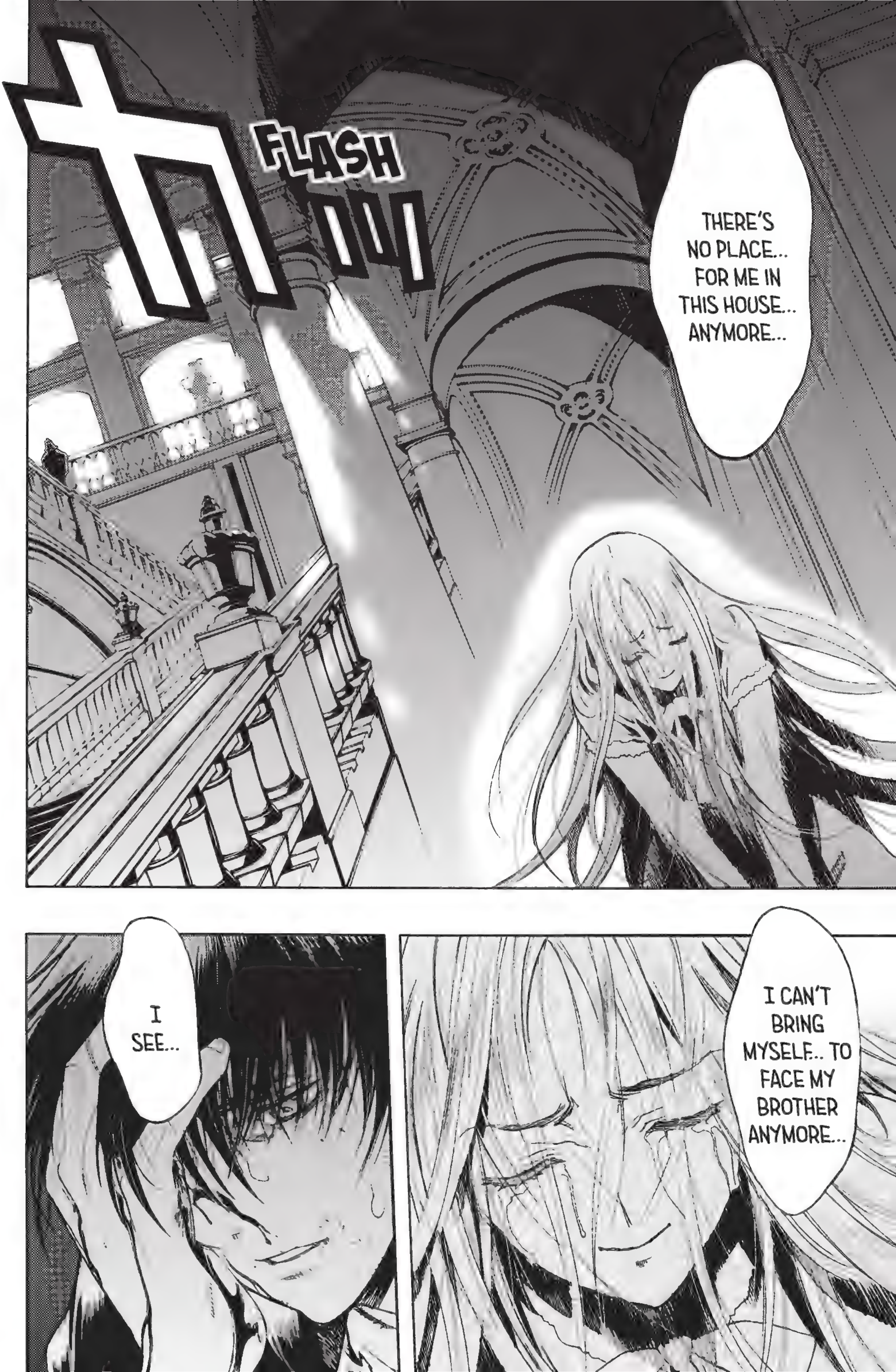

SMAK
SLUMP
DMM

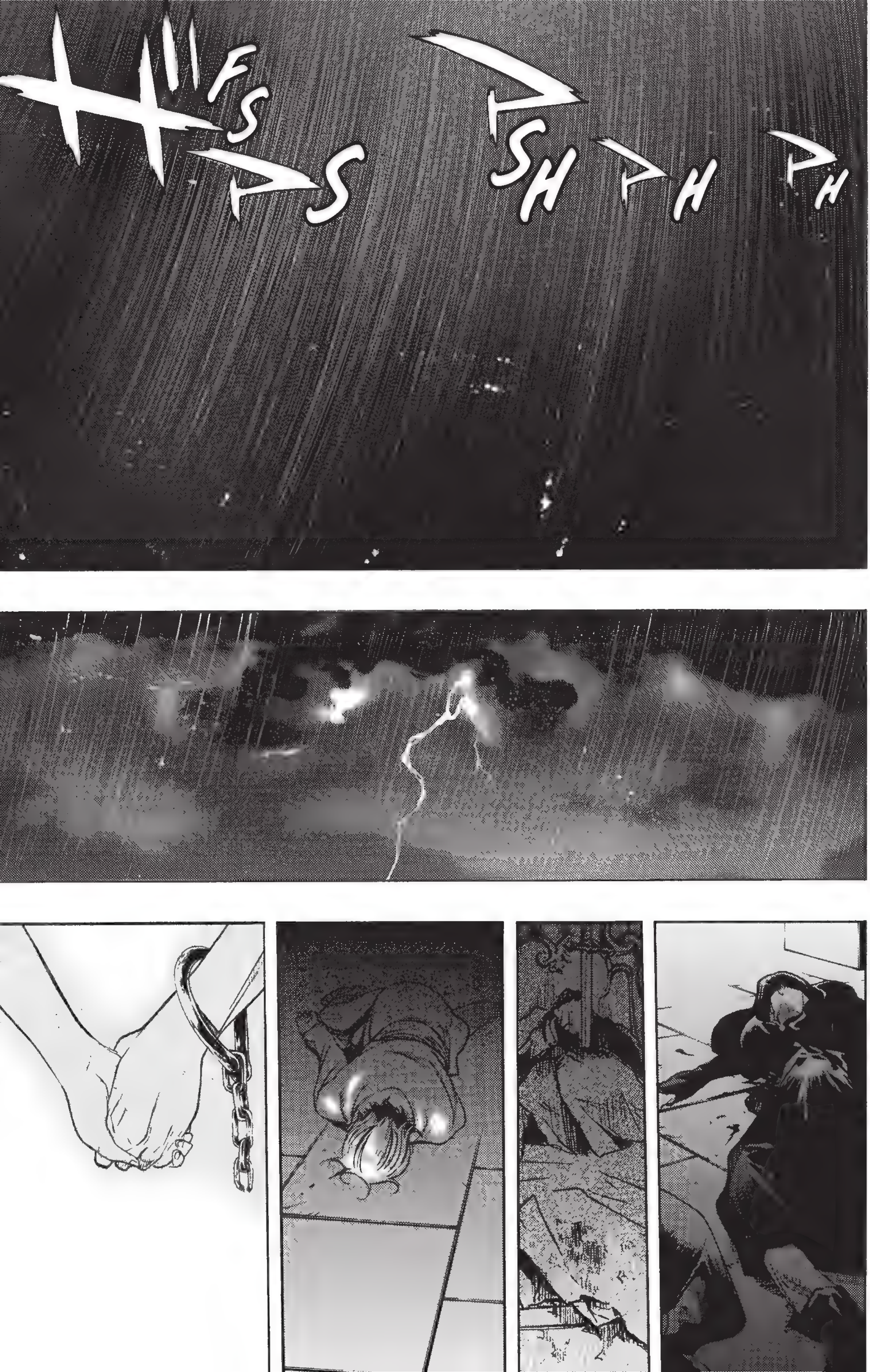

ドッ
THUMP
UGH ...
KUKLO!
ARE YOU OKAY?!
SHOW ME!
ゴロ
RUM
ゴロ
RUM
ガ
KA
KRAK
カッ

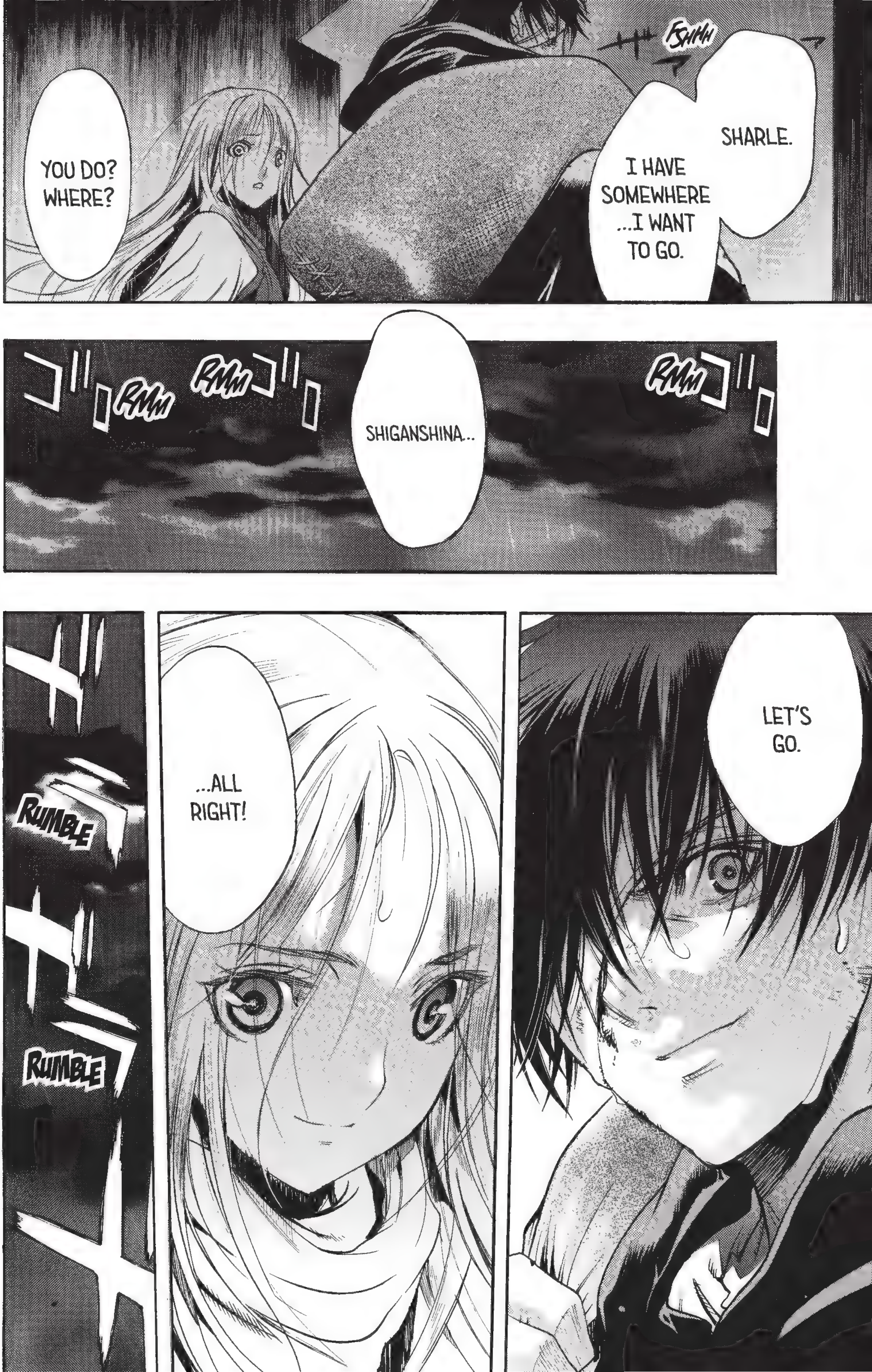

FLASH
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
GRIT

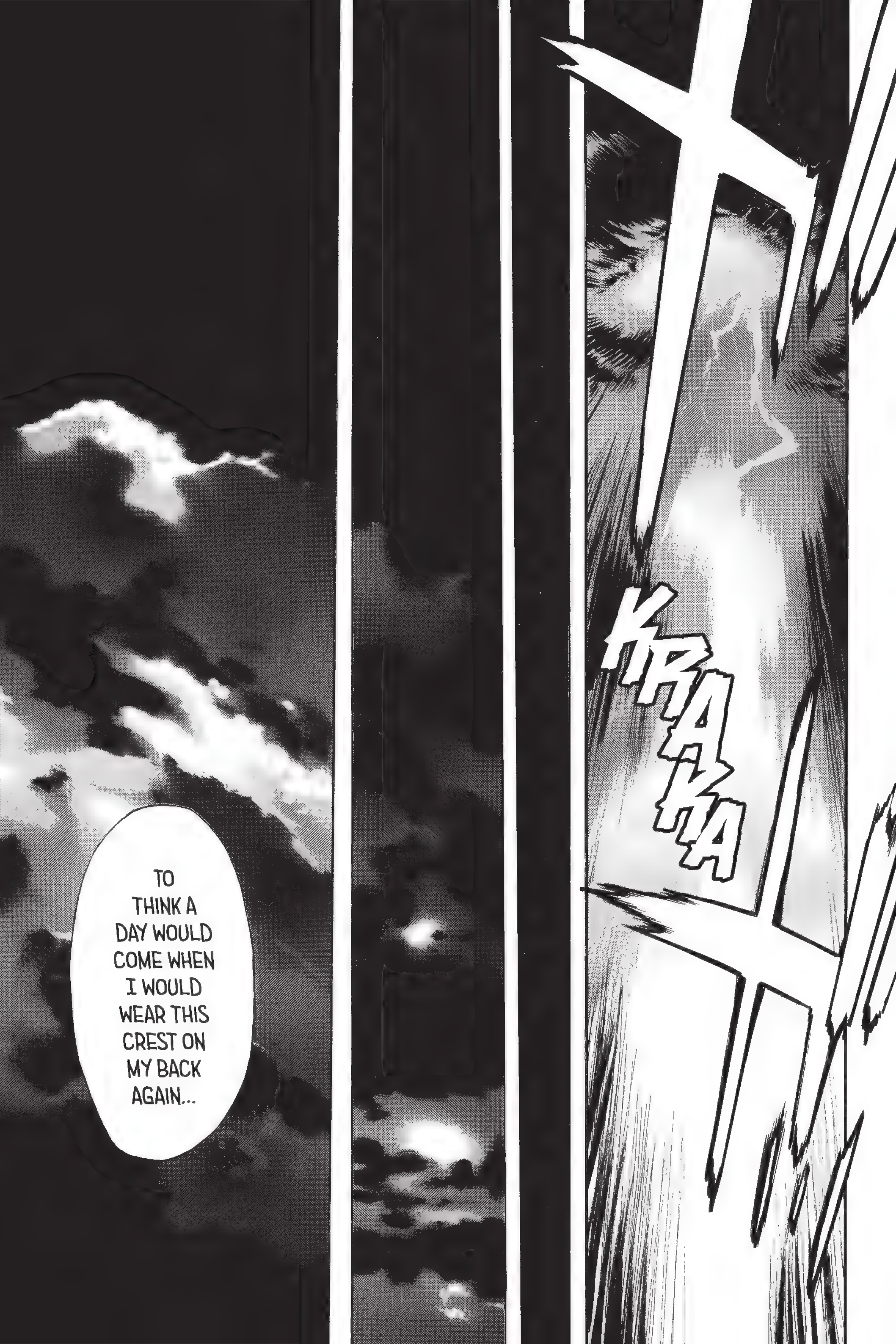

NO TIME TO SIT HERE...
SHAAAA
SHARLE !!
!
GRAB

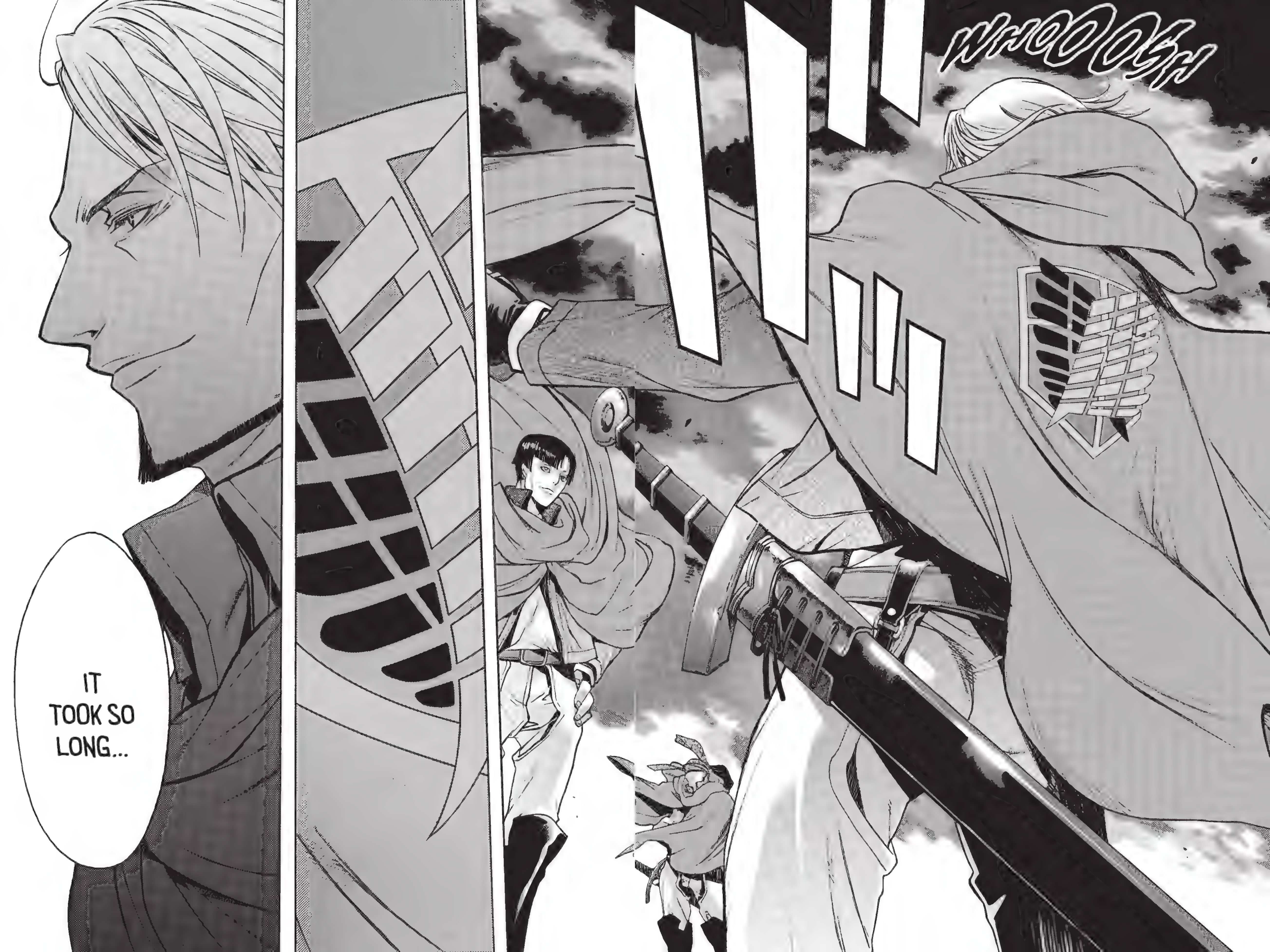

WHAT DO WE DO?
HUH...?
DARIO IS GONE NOW...!
SHARLE... YOU DON'T HAVE TO ESCAPE THIS PLACE ANYMORE...
... RIGHT ...
ゴ
ゴ
RMBL RMBL
BUT...

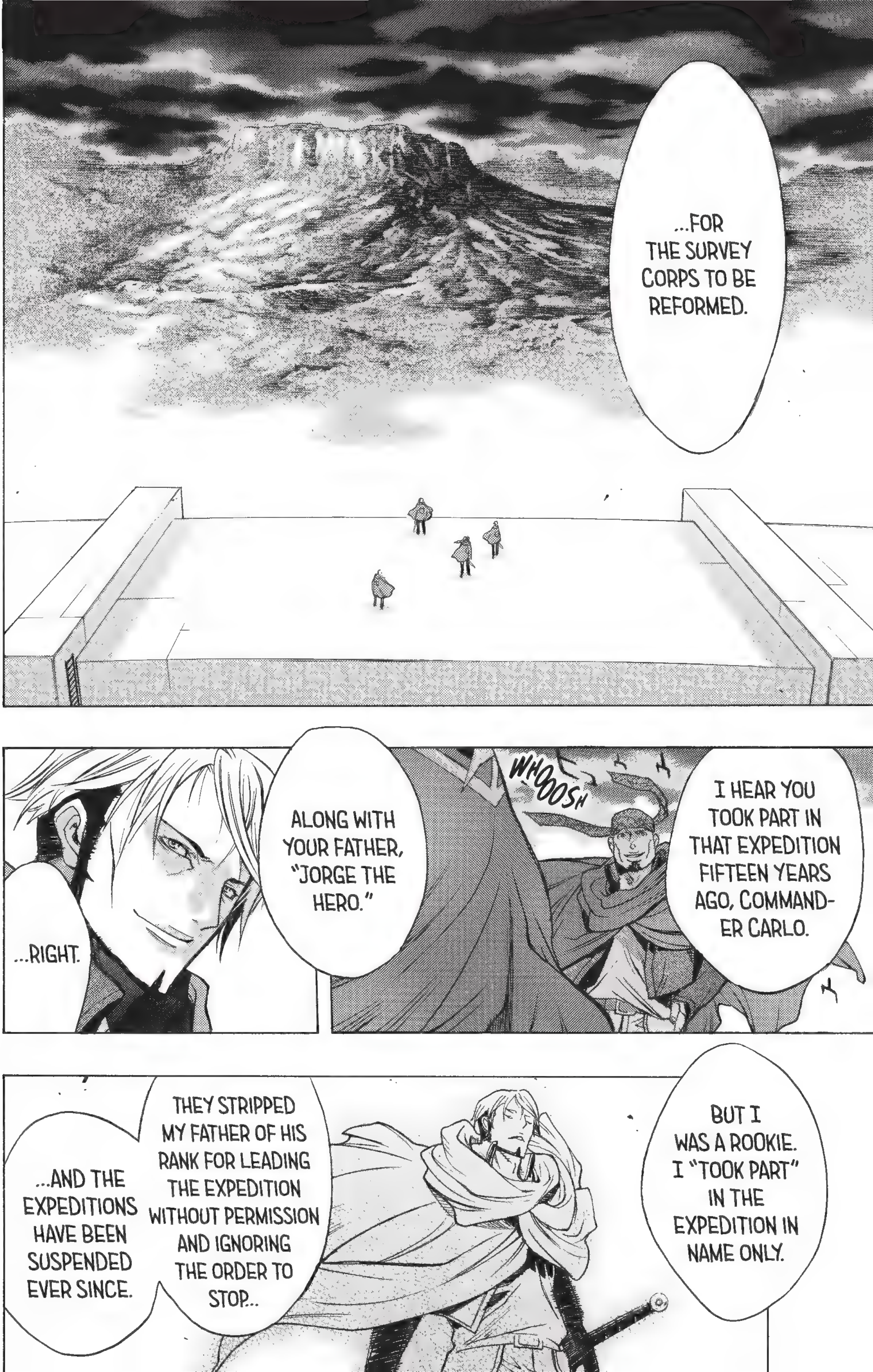

カッ
FLASH
THERE'S NO PLACE... FOR ME IN THIS HOUSE... ANYMORE...
I CAN'T BRING MYSELF... TO FACE MY BROTHER ANYMORE...
I SEE...

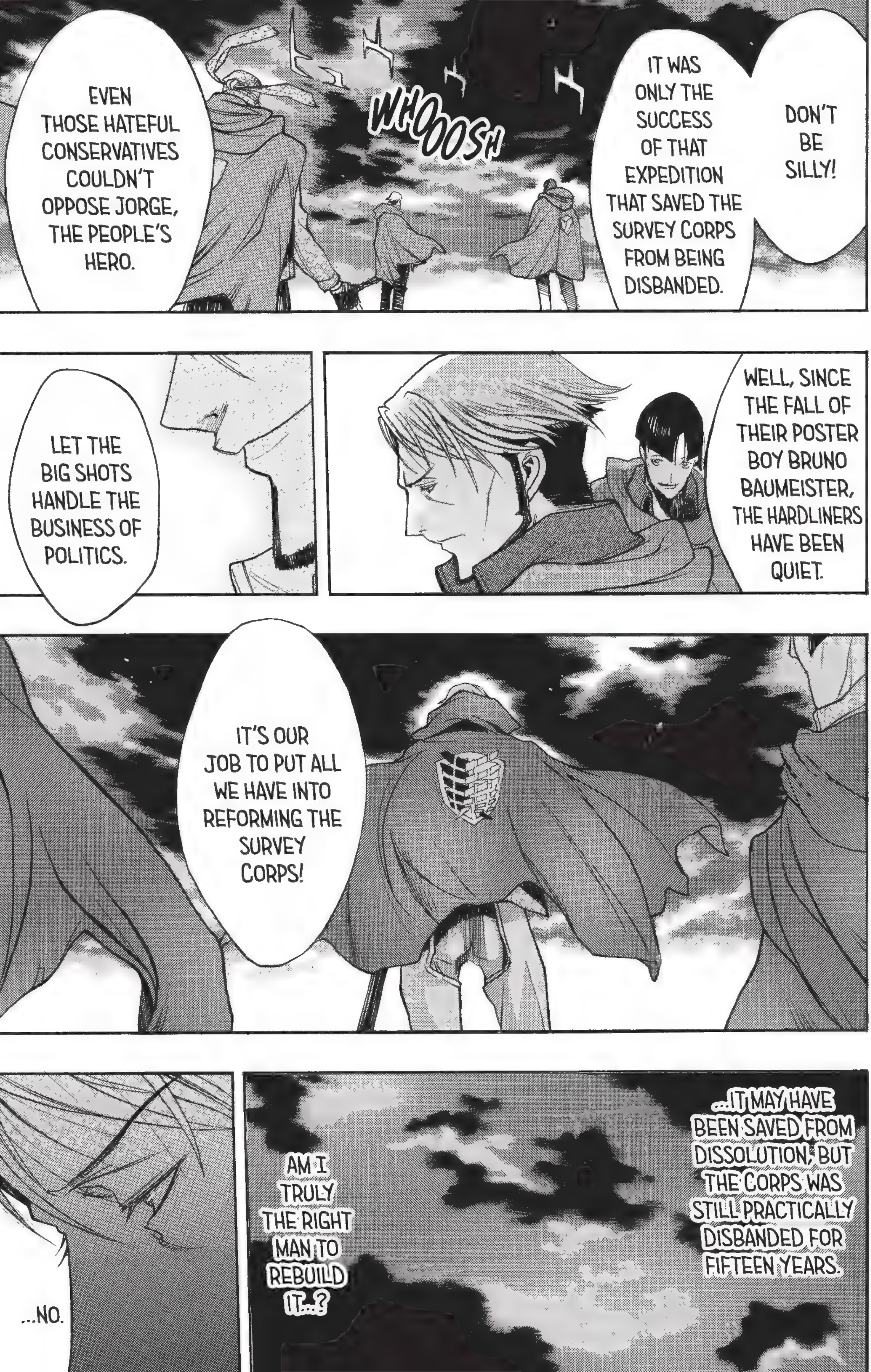

FSS
SHHH

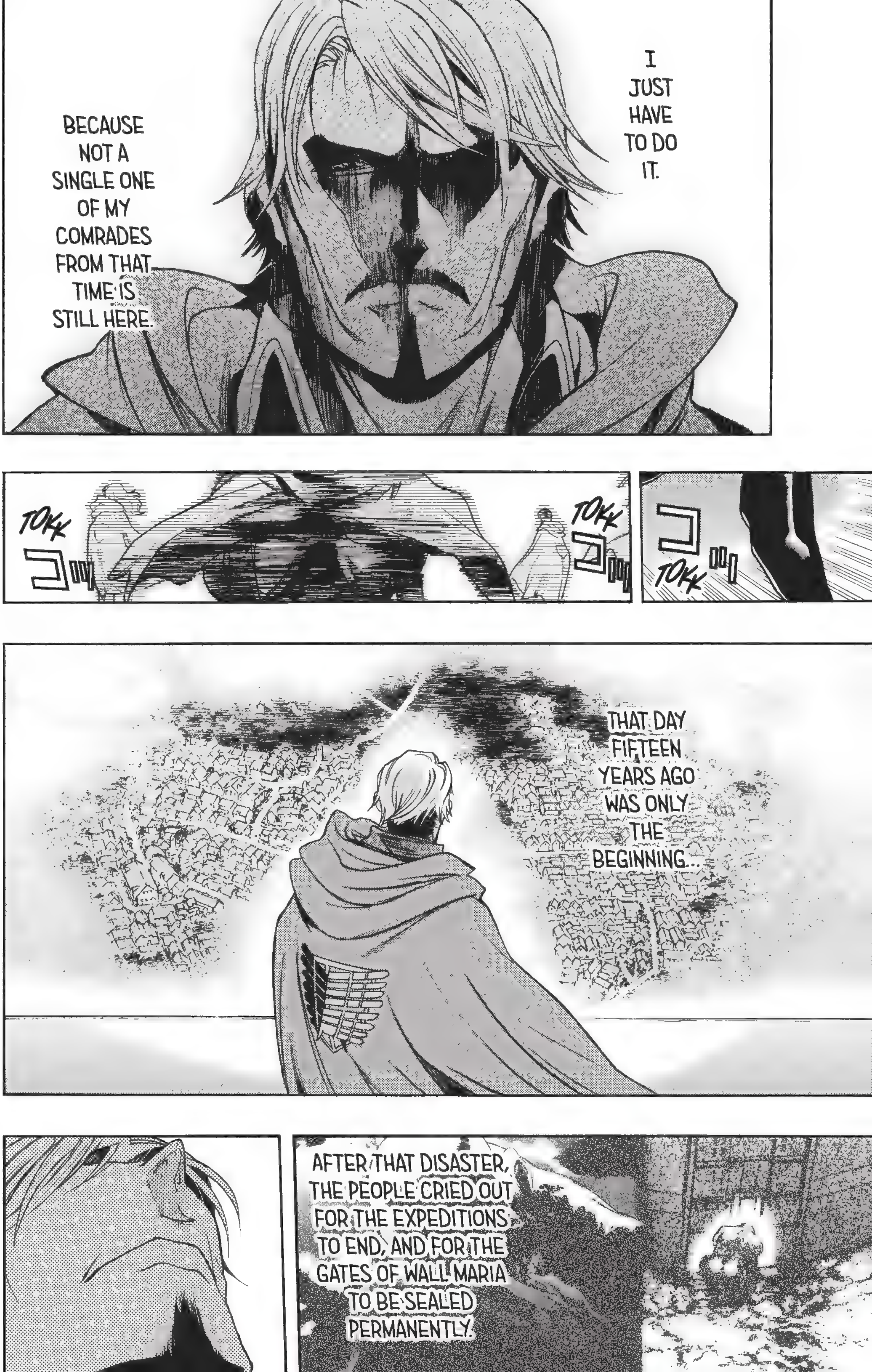

FSHHH
SHARLE.
I HAVE SOMEWHERE ...I WANT TO GO.
YOU DO? WHERE?
RMM ゴロ
SHIGANSHINA...
RMM ゴロ
ゴロ RMM
LET'S GO.
...ALL RIGHT!
RUMBLE
RUMBLE


KRAKA
TO THINK A DAY WOULD COME WHEN I WOULD WEAR THIS CREST ON MY BACK AGAIN...


WHOOOSH
IT TOOK SO LONG...


...FOR THE SURVEY CORPS TO BE REFORMED.
WHOOOSH
I HEAR YOU TOOK PART IN THAT EXPEDITION FIFTEEN YEARS AGO, COMMANDER CARLO.
ALONG WITH YOUR FATHER, "JORGE THE HERO."
...RIGHT.
BUT I WAS A ROOKIE. I "TOOK PART" IN THE EXPEDITION IN NAME ONLY.
THEY STRIPPED MY FATHER OF HIS RANK FOR LEADING THE EXPEDITION WITHOUT PERMISSION AND IGNORING THE ORDER TO STOP...
...AND THE EXPEDITIONS HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED EVER SINCE.


DON'T BE SILLY!
IT WAS ONLY THE SUCCESS OF THAT EXPEDITION THAT SAVED THE SURVEY CORPS FROM BEING DISBANDED.
WHOOOSH
EVEN THOSE HATEFUL CONSERVATIVES COULDN'T OPPOSE JORGE, THE PEOPLE'S HERO.
WELL, SINCE THE FALL OF THEIR POSTER BOY BRUNO BAUMEISTER, THE HARDLINERS HAVE BEEN QUIET.
LET THE BIG SHOTS HANDLE THE BUSINESS OF POLITICS.
IT'S OUR JOB TO PUT ALL WE HAVE INTO REFORMING THE SURVEY CORPS!
...IT MAY HAVE BEEN SAVED FROM DISSOLUTION, BUT THE CORPS WAS STILL PRACTICALLY DISBANDED FOR FIFTEEN YEARS.
AM I TRULY THE RIGHT MAN TO REBUILD IT...?
...NO.


I JUST HAVE TO DO IT.
BECAUSE NOT A SINGLE ONE OF MY COMRADES FROM THAT TIME IS STILL HERE.
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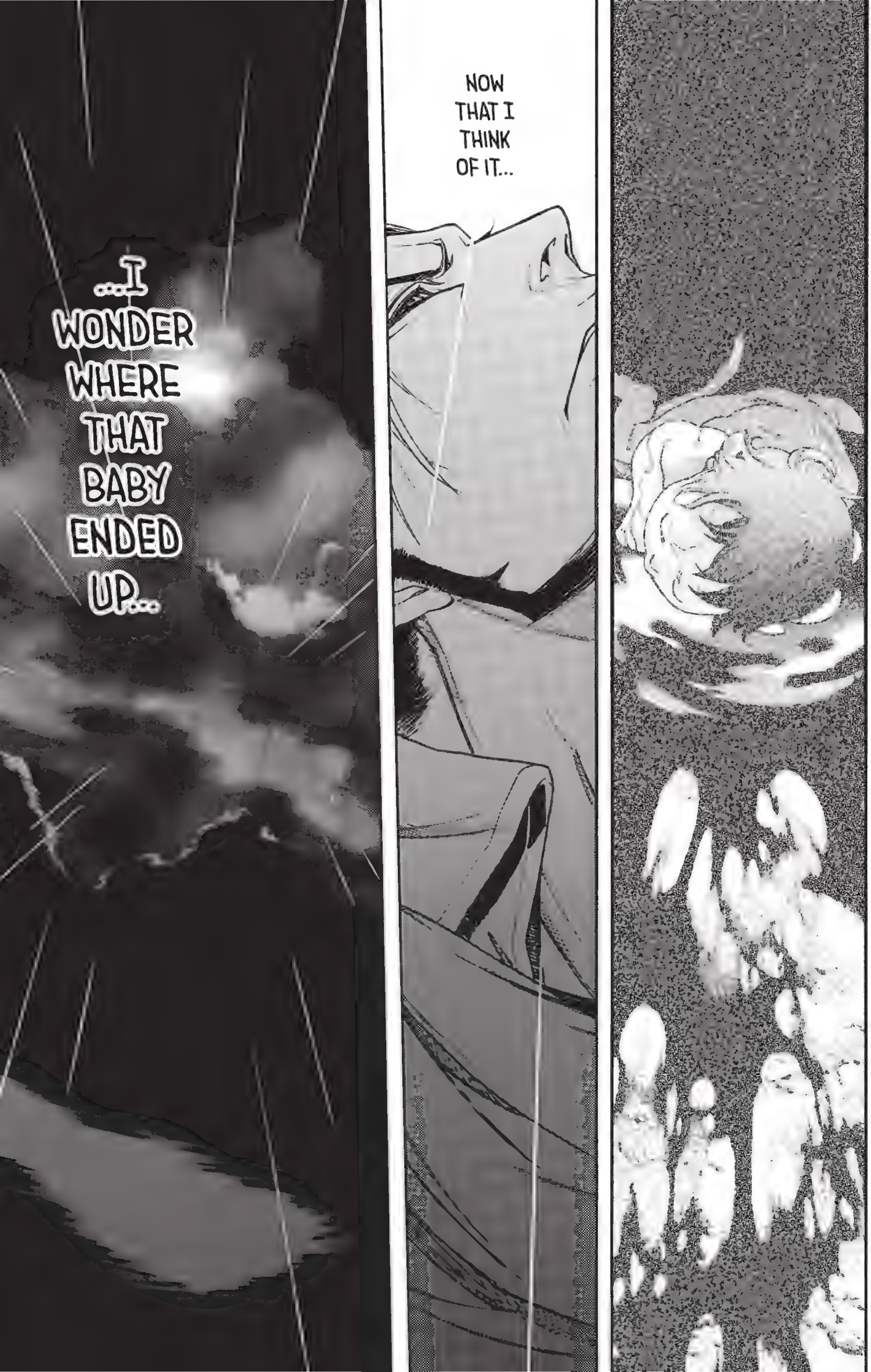
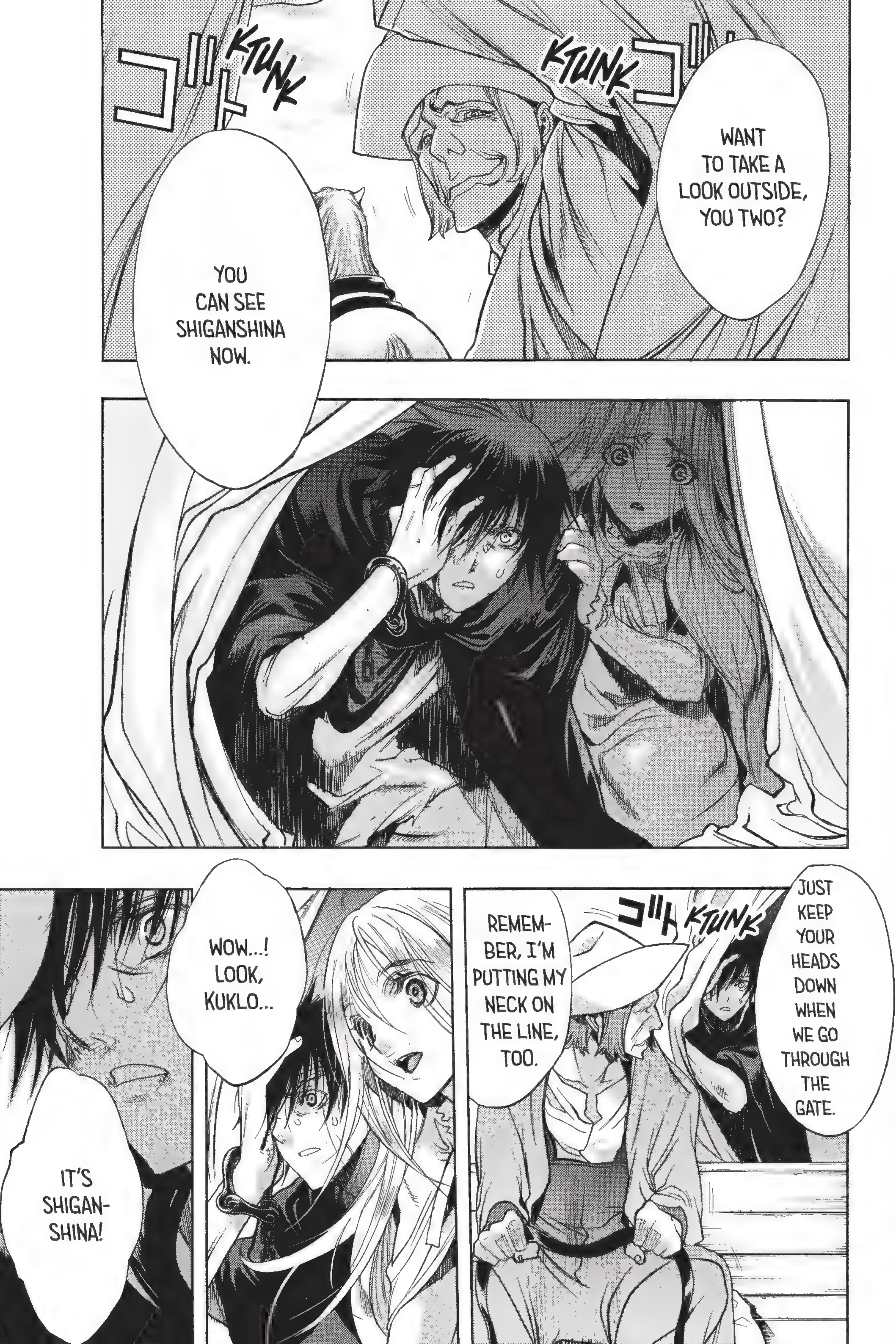
THAT DAY FIFTEEN YEARS AGO WAS ONLY THE BEGINNING...
AFTER THAT DISASTER, THE PEOPLE CRIED OUT FOR THE EXPEDITIONS TO END, AND FOR THE GATES OF WALL MARIA TO BE SEALED PERMANENTLY.


NOW THAT I THINK OF IT...
...I WONDER WHERE THAT BABY ENDED UP...

Chapter 4: Stormy Night - End

ATTACK on TITAN
BEFORE THE FALL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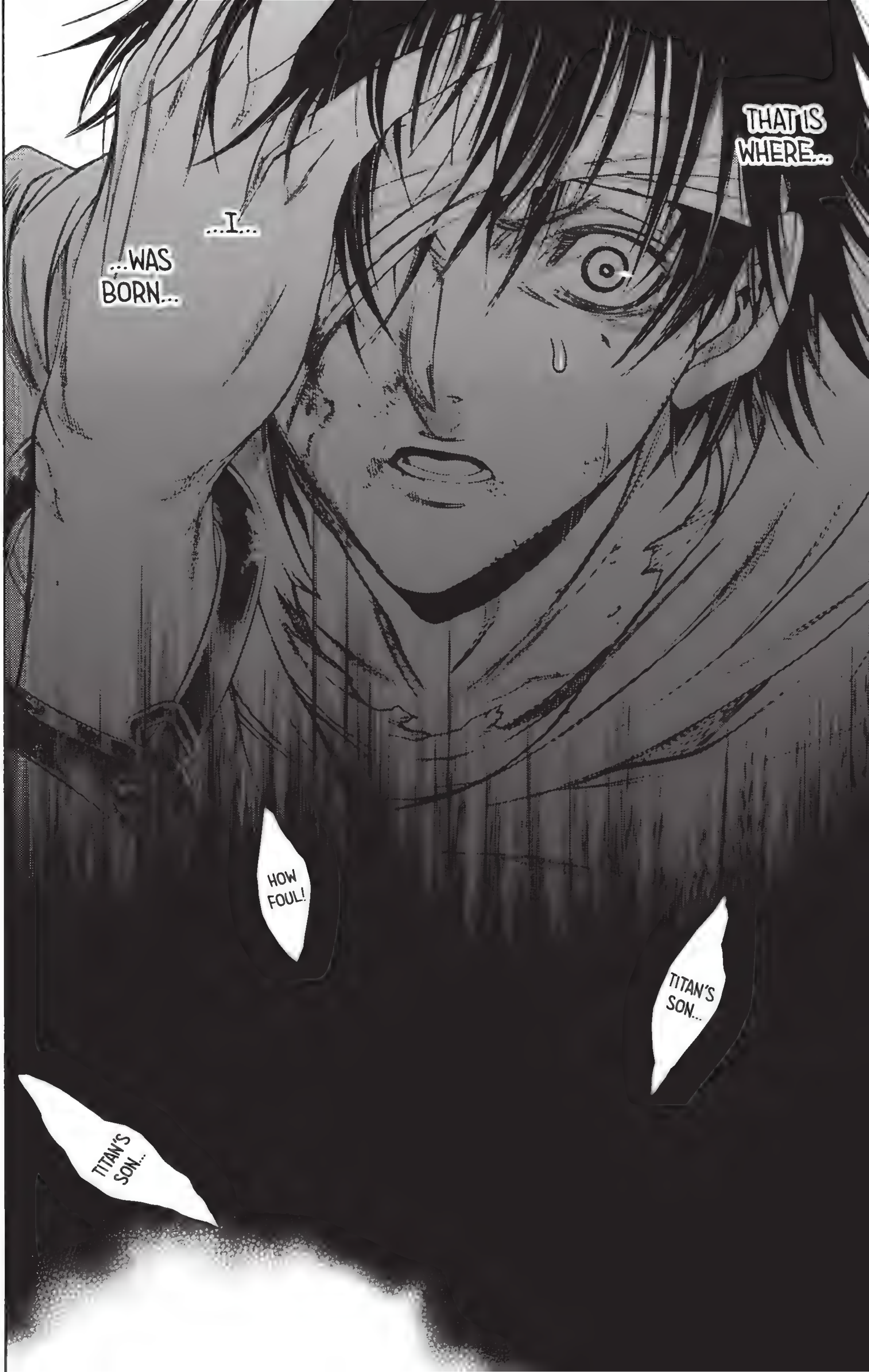
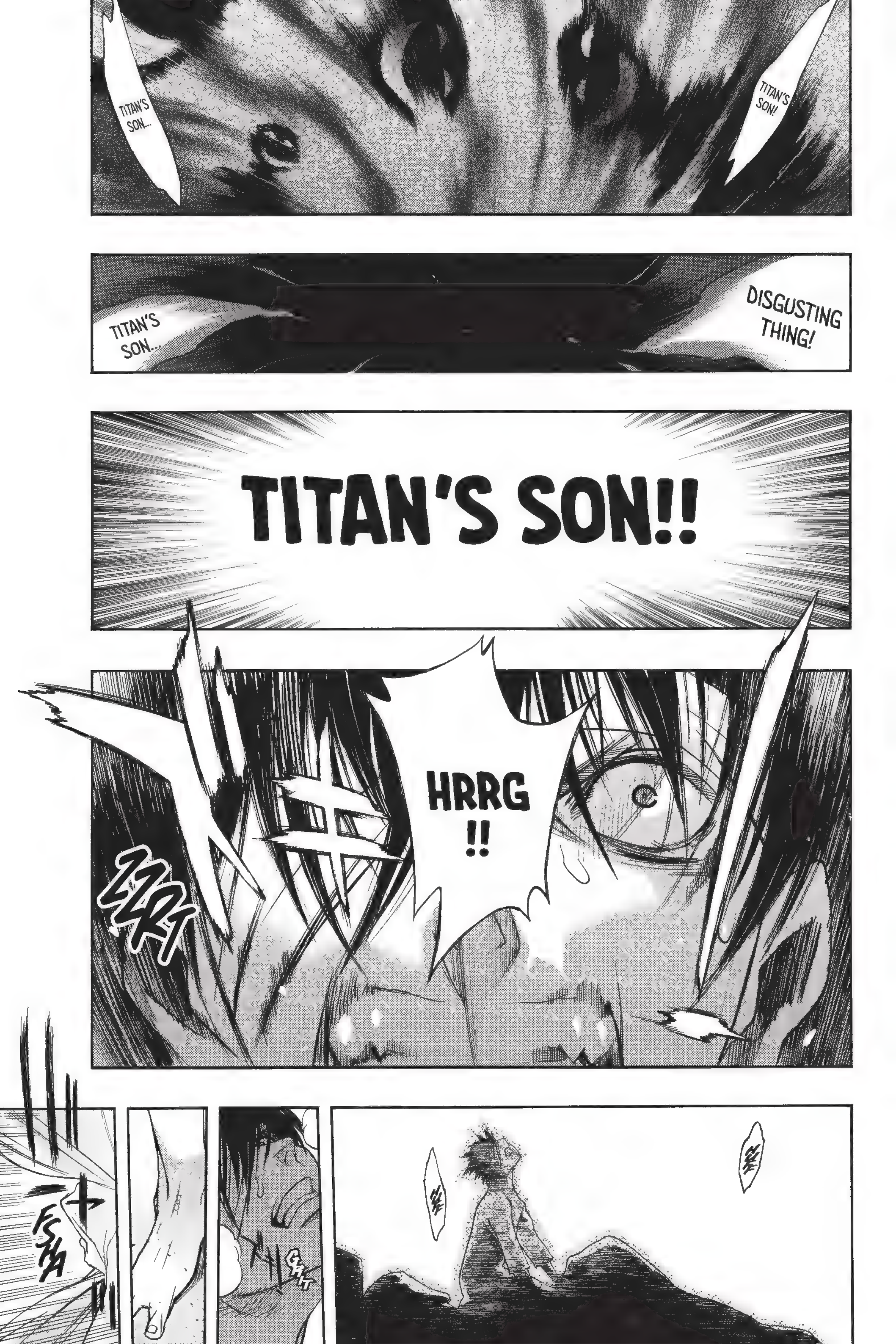
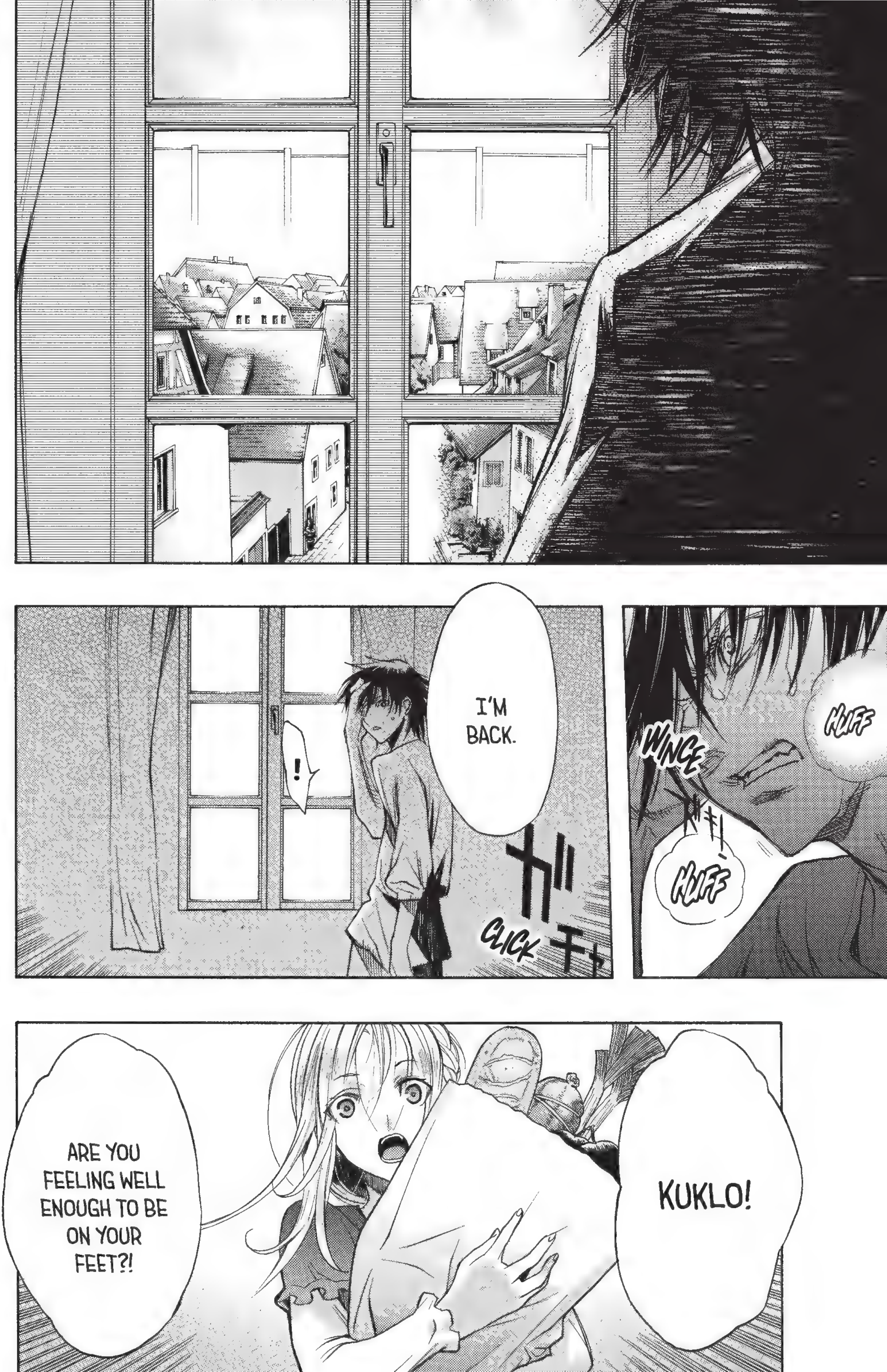
ゴト KTUNK
WANT TO TAKE A LOOK OUTSIDE, YOU TWO?
YOU CAN SEE SHIGANSHINA NOW.
JUST KEEP YOUR HEADS DOWN WHEN WE GO THROUGH THE GATE.
ゴト KTUNK
REMEMBER, I'M PUTTING MY NECK ON THE LINE, TOO.
WOW...! LOOK, KUKLO...
IT'S SHIGANSHINA!

Chapter 5:
Predawn Departure


THAT IS WHERE...
...I...
...WAS BORN...
HOW FOUL!
TITAN'S SON...
TITAN'S SON...


TITAN'S SON!
TITAN'S SON...
DISGUSTING THING!
TITAN'S SON...
TITAN'S SON!!
HRRG !!
ZZRK
SHF
SHF
GRIT
FSHA


HUFF
WINCE
ズキ!
HUFF
I'M BACK.
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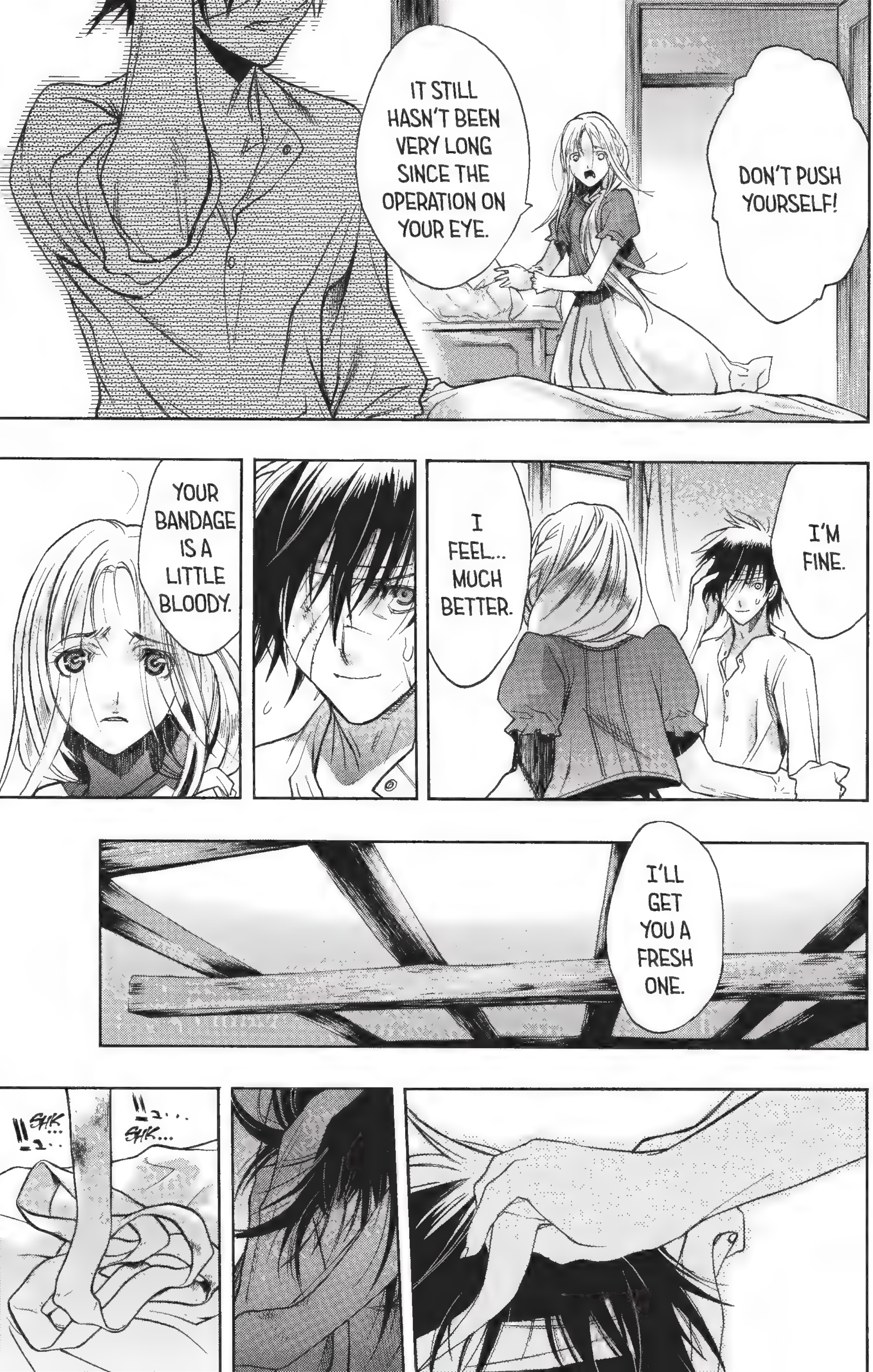
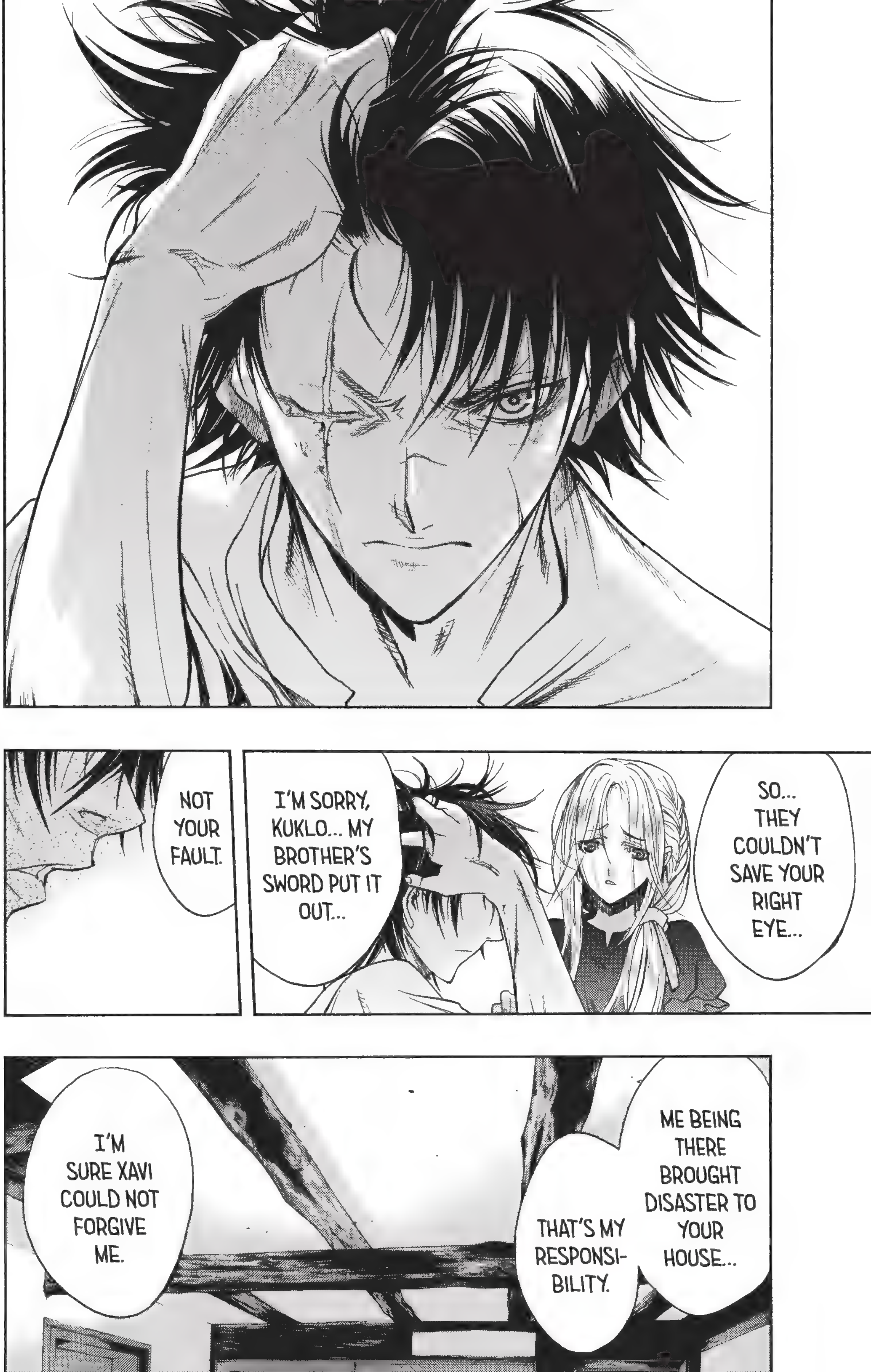
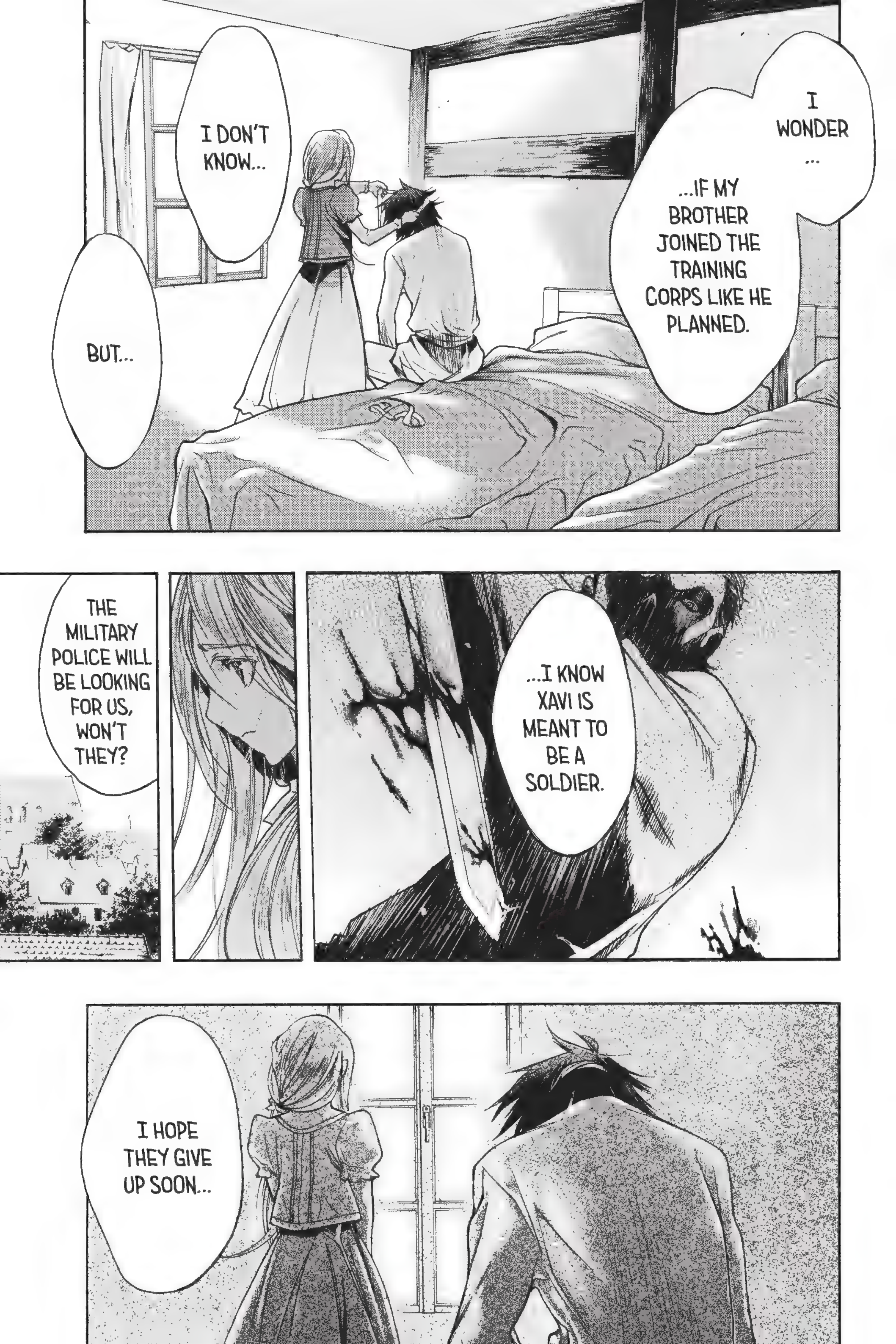
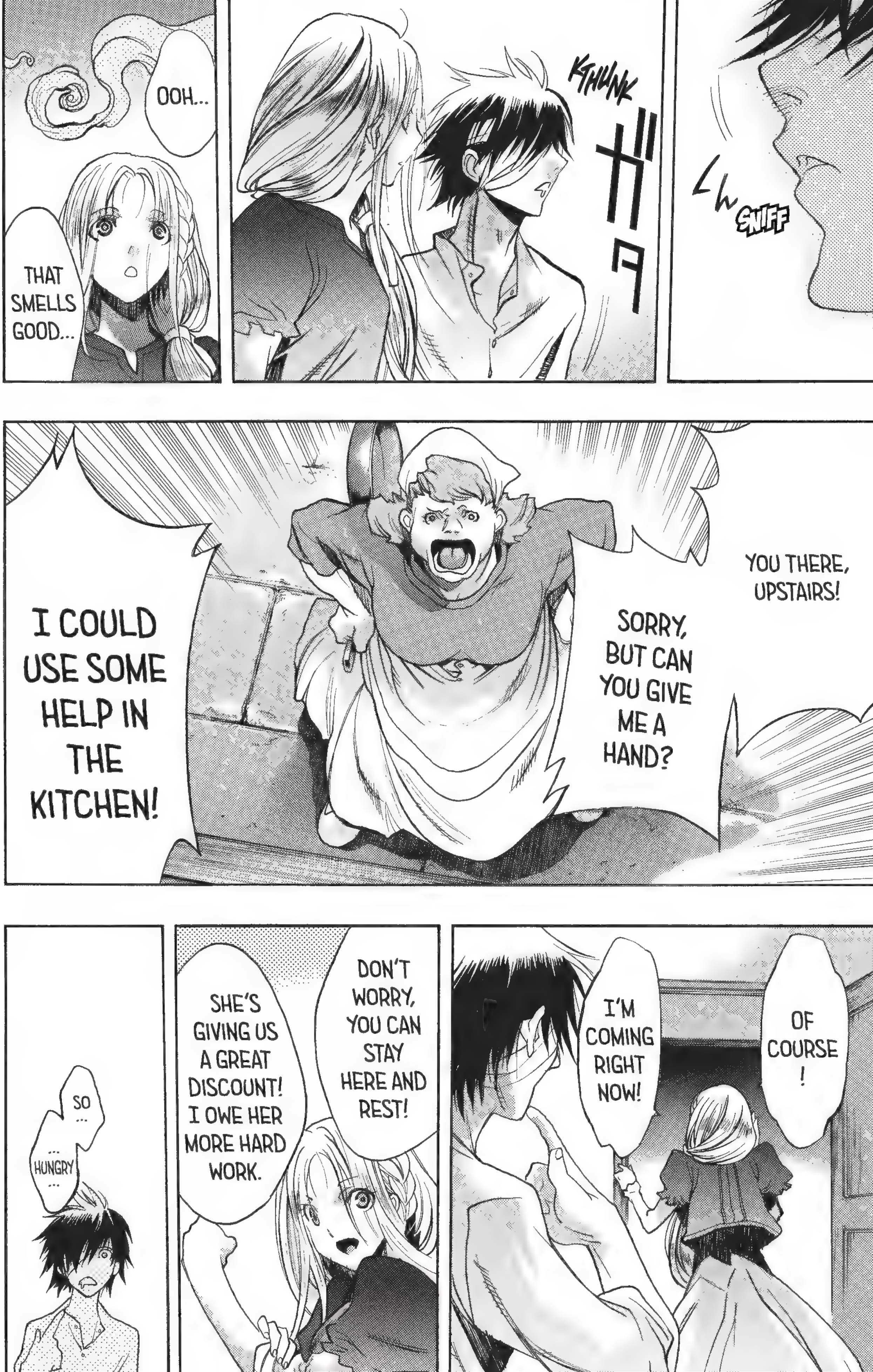
CLICK
KUKLO!
ARE YOU FEELING WELL ENOUGH TO BE ON YOUR FEET?!


DON'T PUSH YOURSELF!
IT STILL HASN'T BEEN VERY LONG SINCE THE OPERATION ON YOUR EYE.
I'M FINE.
I FEEL... MUCH BETTER.
YOUR BANDAGE IS A LITTLE BLOODY.
I'LL GET YOU A FRESH ONE.
SHK... SHK...
SHK...


SO... THEY COULDN'T SAVE YOUR RIGHT EYE...
I'M SORRY, KUKLO... MY BROTHER'S SWORD PUT IT OUT...
NOT YOUR FAULT.
ME BEING THERE BROUGHT DISASTER TO YOUR HOUSE...
THAT'S MY RESPONSIBILITY.
I'M SURE XAVI COULD NOT FORGIVE ME.


I WONDER...
...IF MY BROTHER JOINED THE TRAINING CORPS LIKE HE PLANNED.
I DON'T KNOW...
BUT...
...I KNOW XAVI IS MEANT TO BE A SOLDIER.
THE MILITARY POLICE WILL BE LOOKING FOR US, WON'T THEY?
I HOPE THEY GIVE UP SOON...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SNIFF
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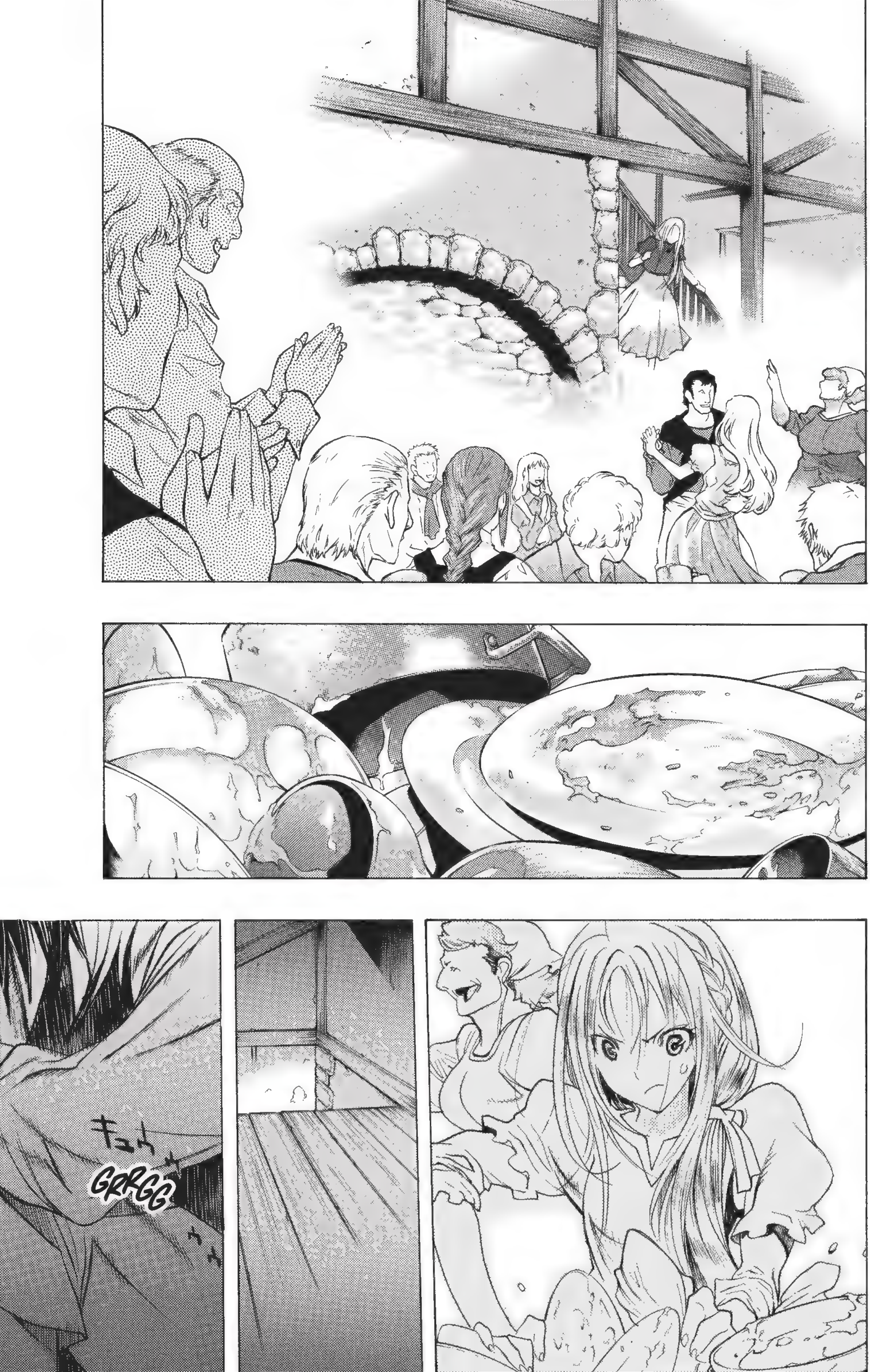
OOH...
THAT SMELLS GOOD...
YOU THERE, UPSTAIRS!
SORRY, BUT CAN YOU GIVE ME A HAND?
I COULD USE SOME HELP IN THE KITCHEN!
OF COURSE!
I'M COMING RIGHT NOW!
DON'T WORRY, YOU CAN STAY HERE AND REST!
SHE'S GIVING US A GREAT DISCOUNT! I OWE HER MORE HARD WORK.
SO...
...HUNGRY...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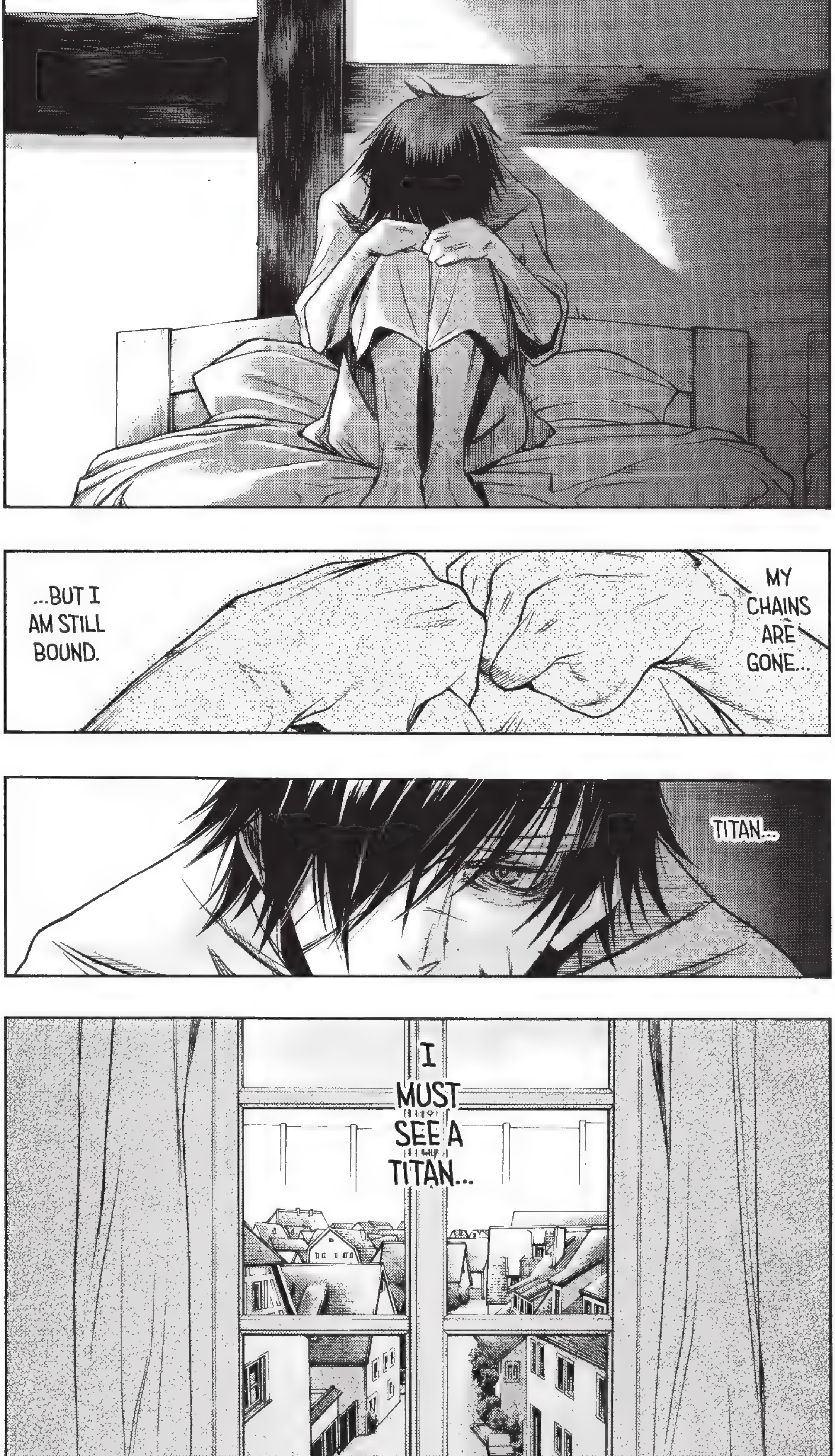
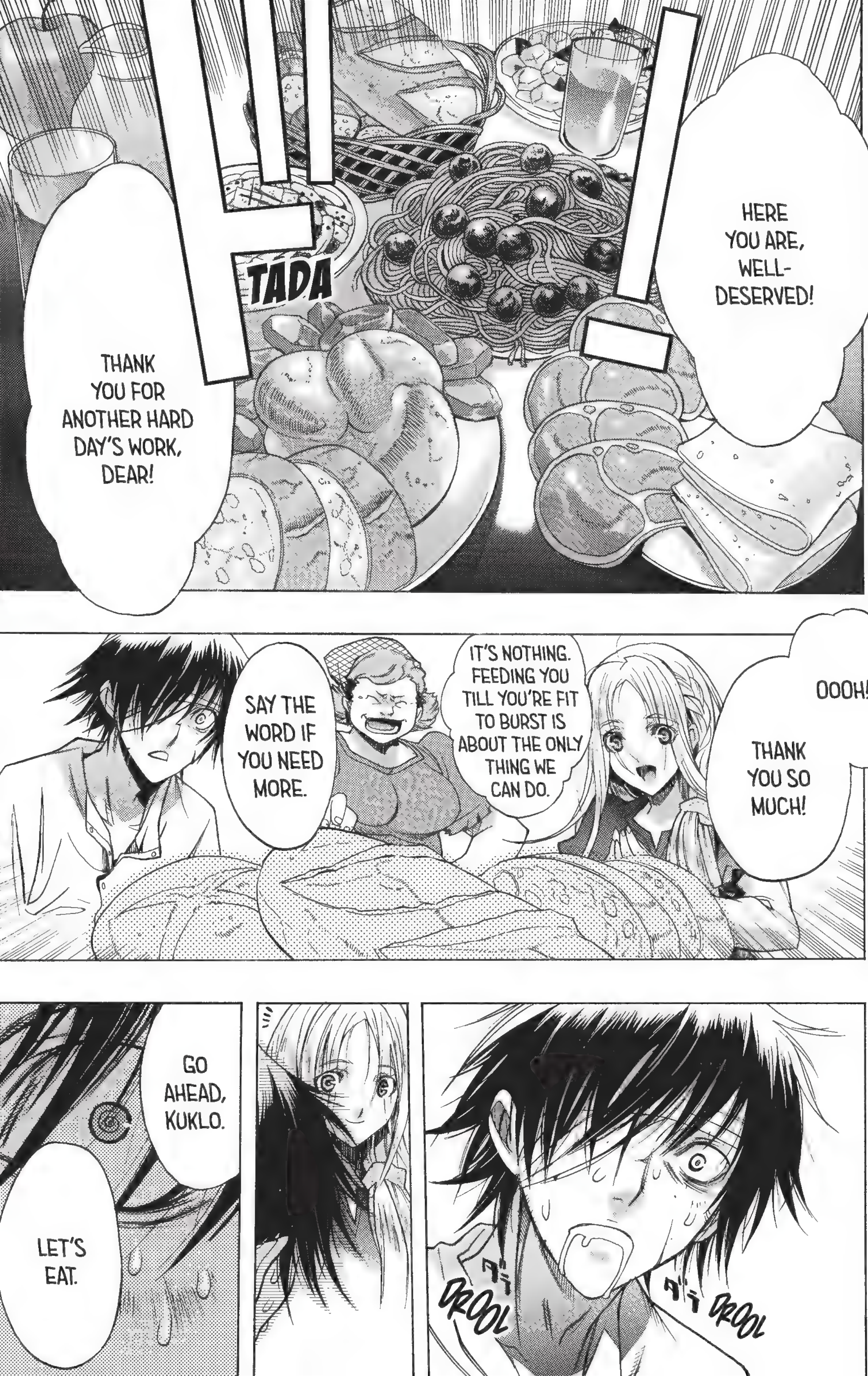
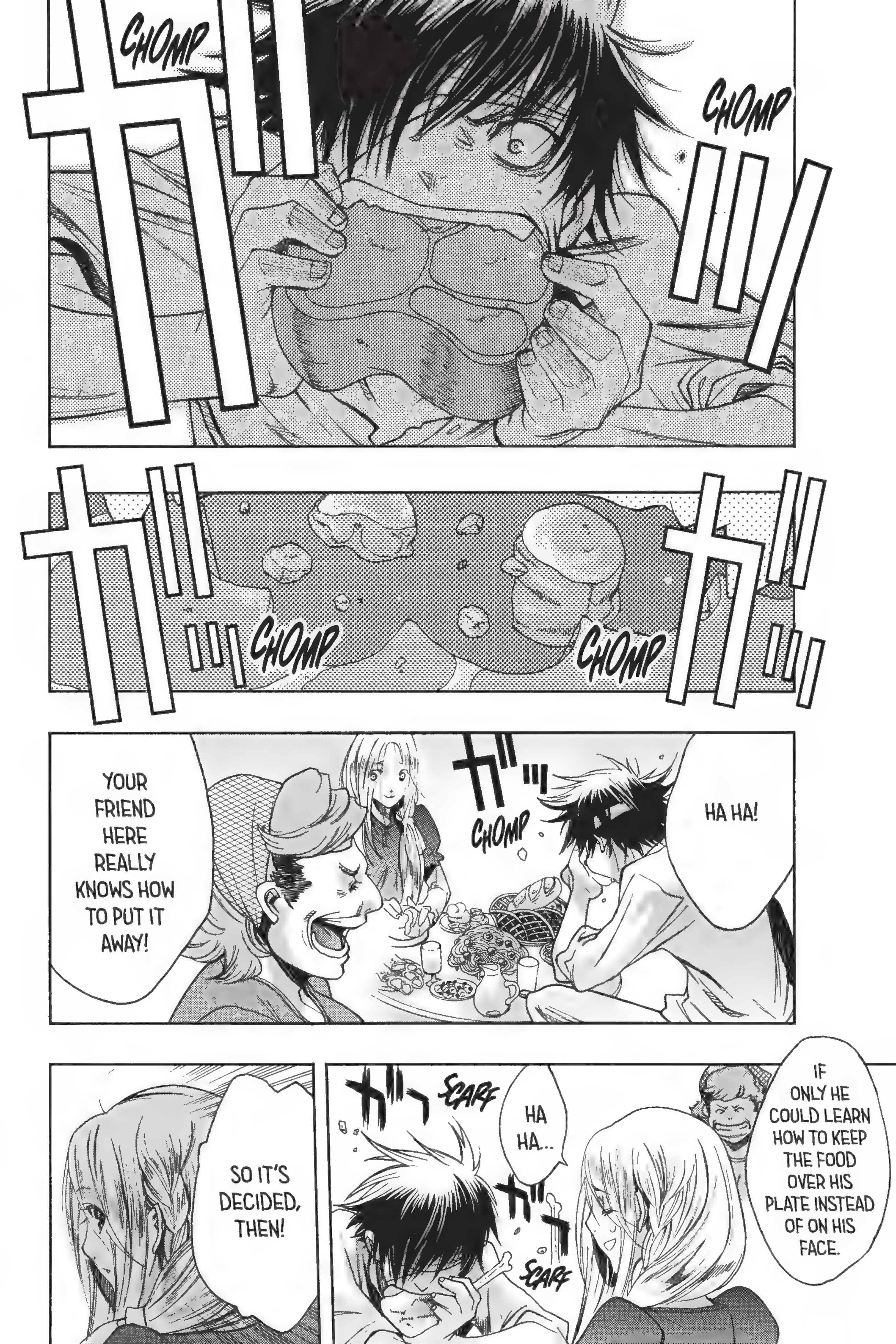
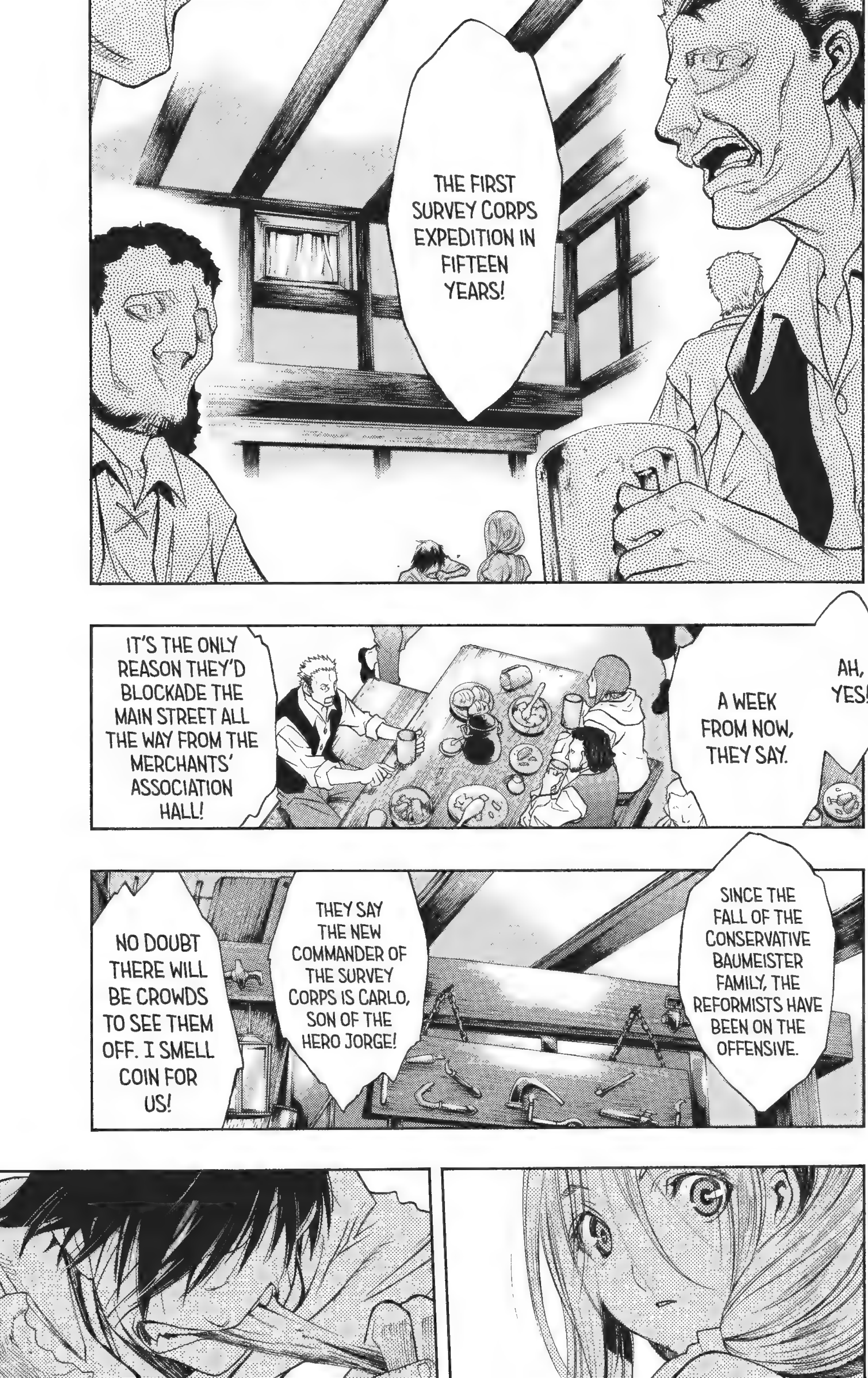
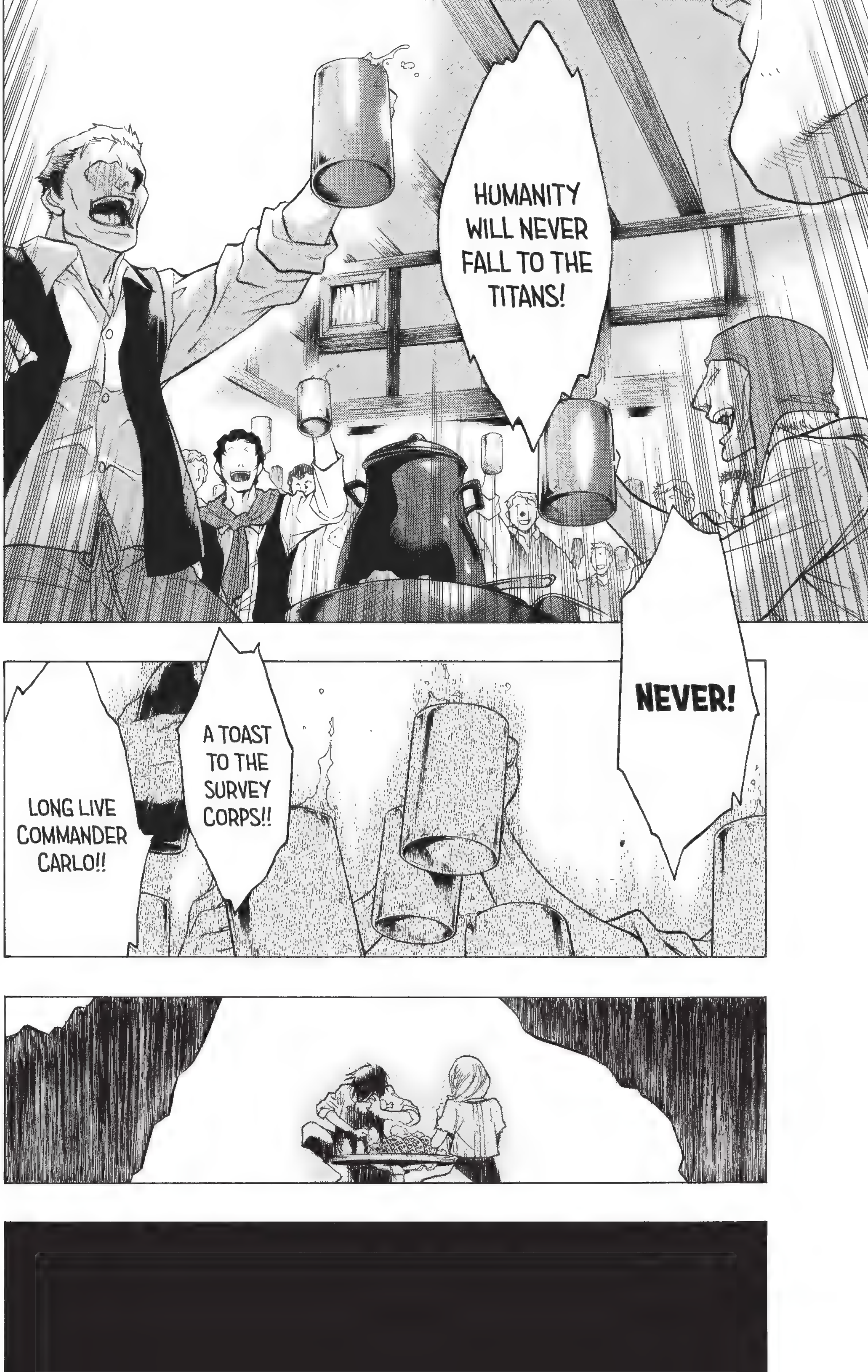
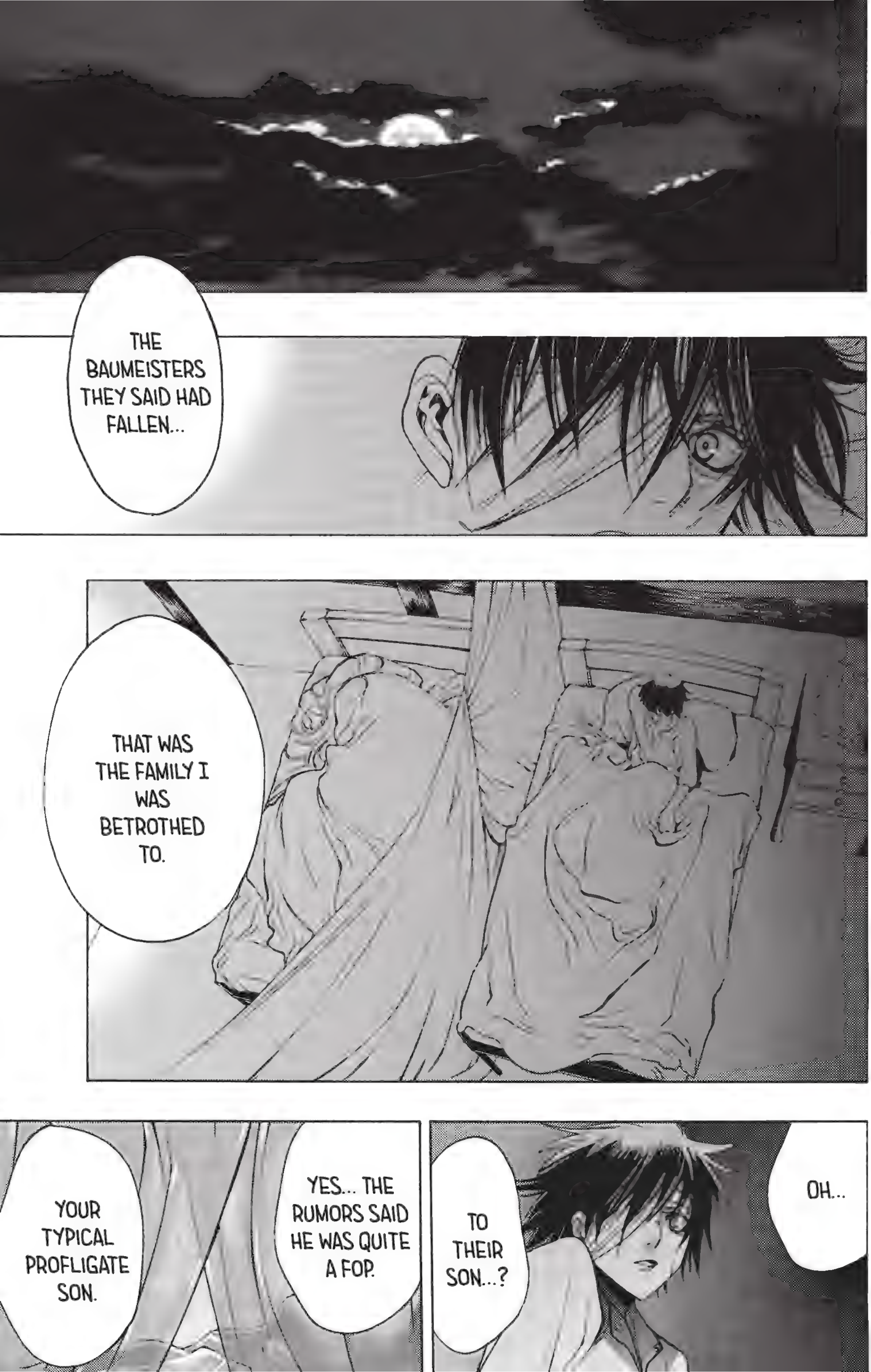

MY CHAINS ARE GONE...
...BUT I AM STILL BOUND.
TITAN...
I MUST SEE A TITAN...

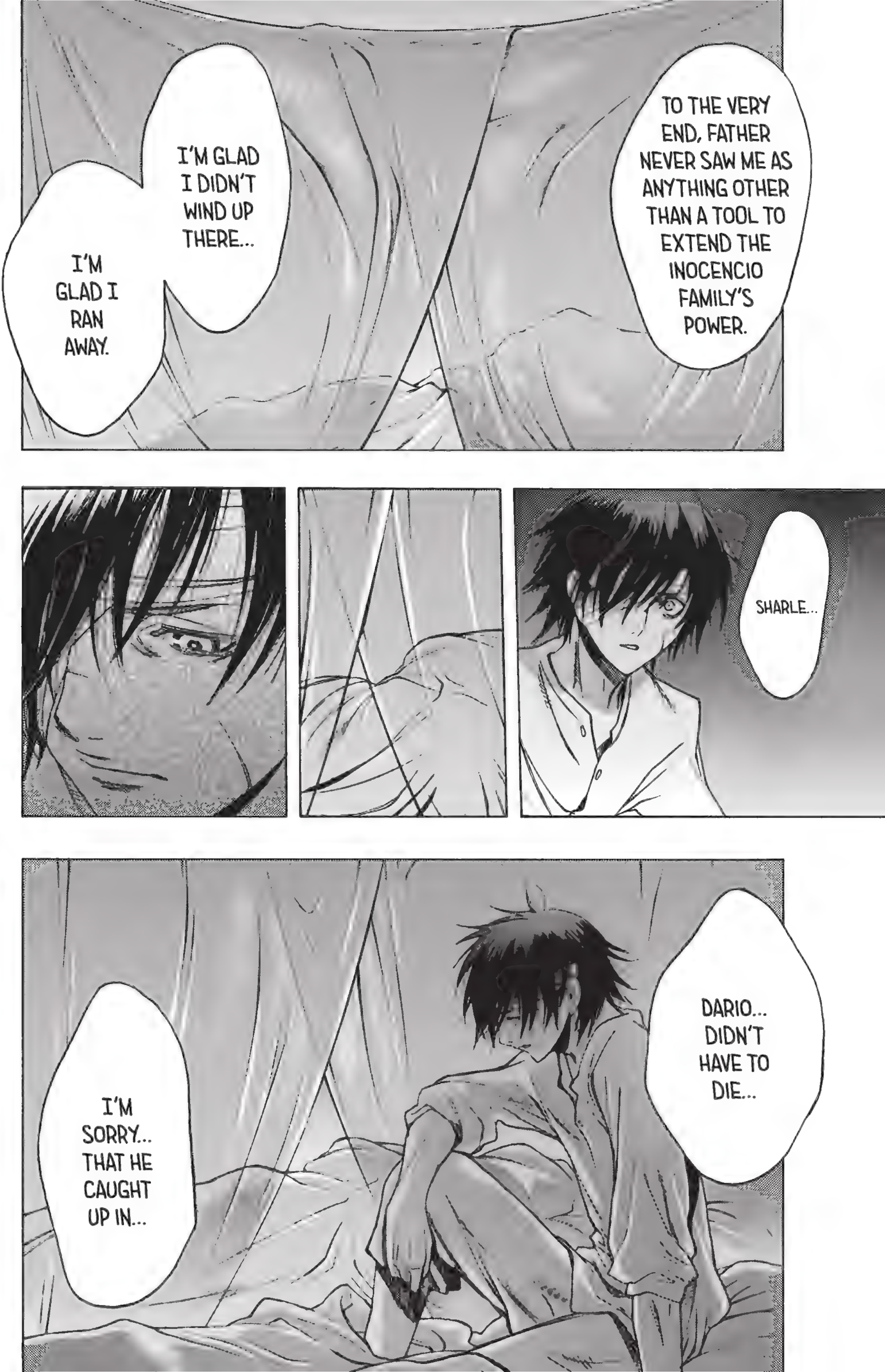

HERE YOU ARE, WELL-DESERVED!
THANK YOU FOR ANOTHER HARD DAY'S WORK, DEAR!
TADA
OOOH!
THANK YOU SO MUCH!
IT'S NOTHING. FEEDING YOU TILL YOU'RE FIT TO BURST IS ABOUT THE ONLY THING WE CAN DO.
SAY THE WORD IF YOU NEED MORE.
DROOL
DROOL
GO AHEAD, KUKLO.
LET'S EAT.

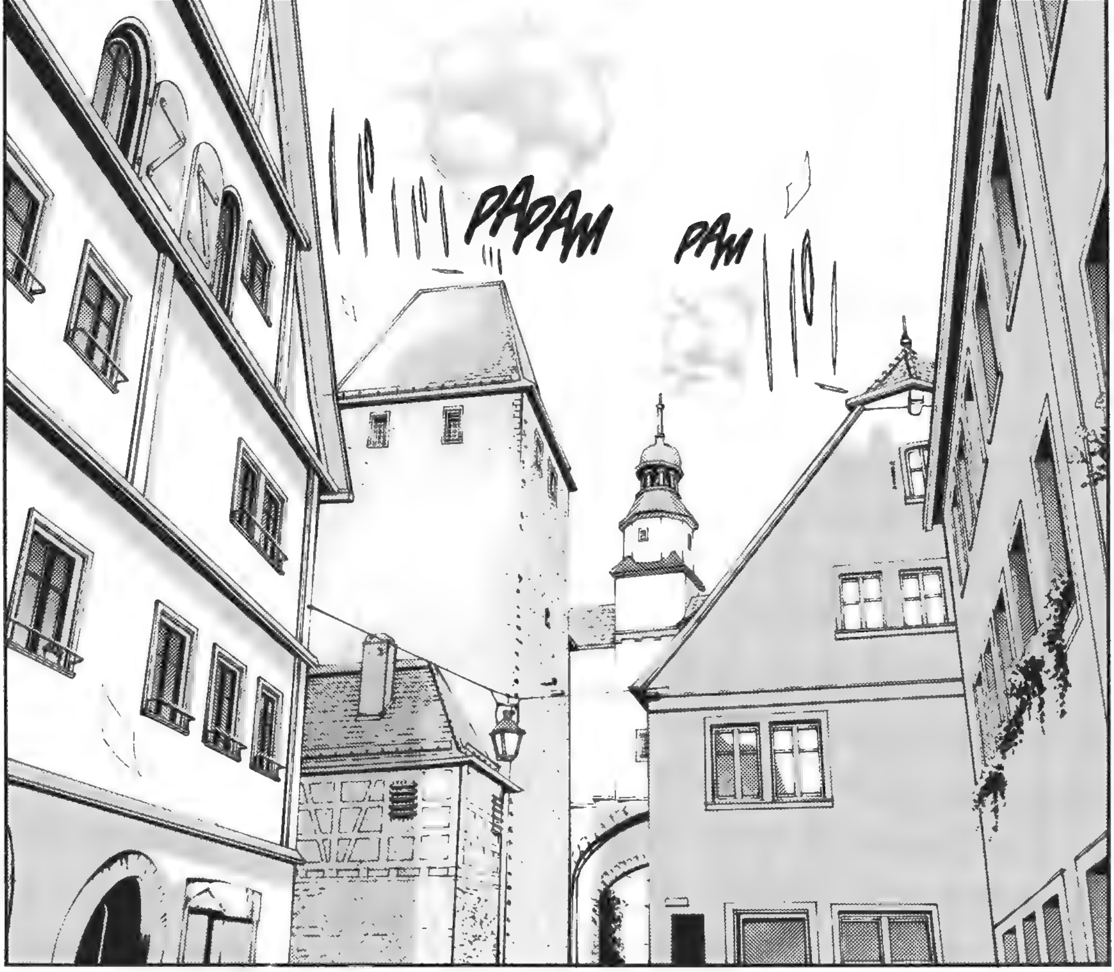

CHOMP
CHOMP
CHOMP
CHOMP
HA HA!
CHOMP
YOUR FRIEND HERE REALLY KNOWS HOW TO PUT IT AWAY!
IF ONLY HE COULD LEARN HOW TO KEEP THE FOOD OVER HIS PLATE INSTEAD OF ON HIS FACE.
HA HA...
SCARF
SCARF
SO IT'S DECIDED, THEN!


THE FIRST SURVEY CORPS EXPEDITION IN FIFTEEN YEARS!
AH, YES!
A WEEK FROM NOW, THEY SAY.
IT'S THE ONLY REASON THEY'D BLOCKADE THE MAIN STREET ALL THE WAY FROM THE MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION HALL!
SINCE THE FALL OF THE CONSERVATIVE BAUMEISTER FAMILY, THE REFORMISTS HAVE BEEN ON THE OFFENSIVE.
THEY SAY THE NEW COMMANDER OF THE SURVEY CORPS IS CARLO, SON OF THE HERO JORGE!
NO DOUBT THERE WILL BE CROWDS TO SEE THEM OFF. I SMELL COIN FOR US!


HUMANITY WILL NEVER FALL TO THE TITANS!
NEVER!
A TOAST TO THE SURVEY CORPS!!
LONG LIVE COMMANDER CARLO!!


THE BAUMEISTERS THEY SAID HAD FALLEN...
THAT WAS THE FAMILY I WAS BETROTHED TO.
OH...
TO THEIR SON...?
YES... THE RUMORS SAID HE WAS QUITE A FOP.
YOUR TYPICAL PROFLIGATE SON.


TO THE VERY END, FATHER NEVER SAW ME AS ANYTHING OTHER THAN A TOOL TO EXTEND THE INOCENCIO FAMILY'S POWER.
I'M GLAD I DIDN'T WIND UP THERE...
I'M GLAD I RAN AWAY.
SHARLE...
DARIO... DIDN'T HAVE TO DIE...
I'M SORRY... THAT HE CAUGHT UP IN...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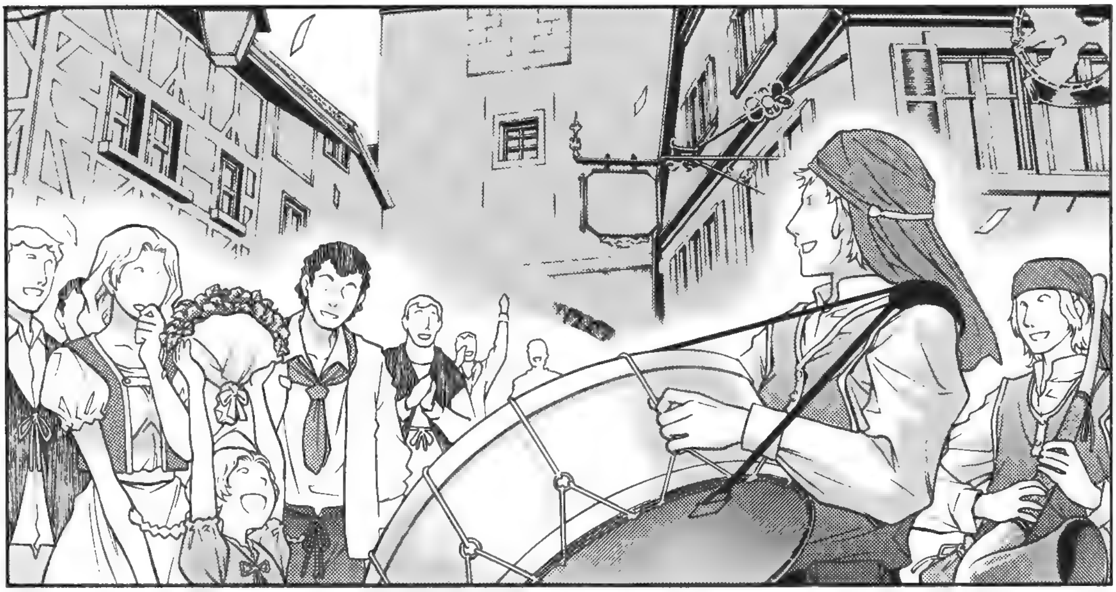
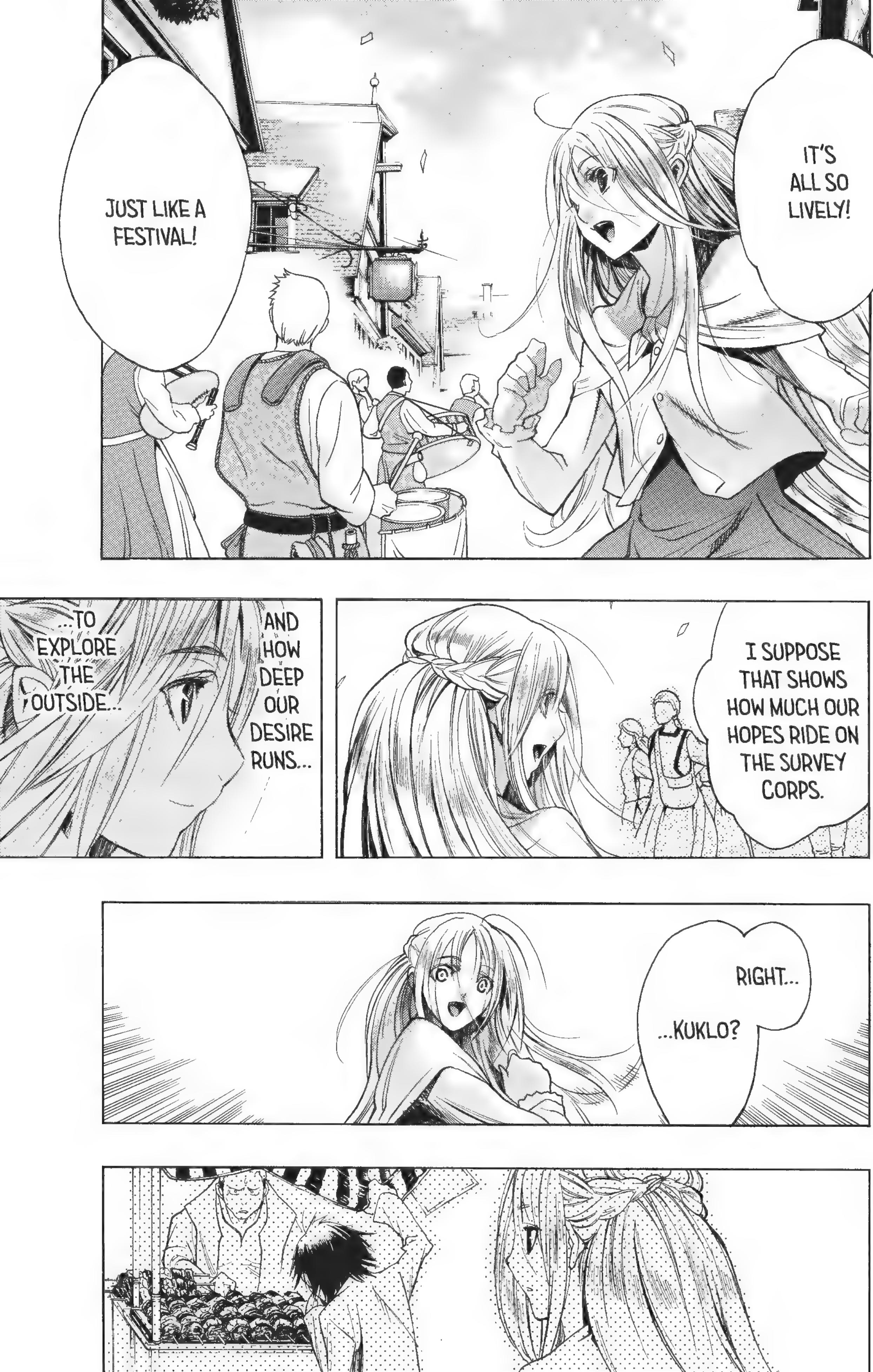
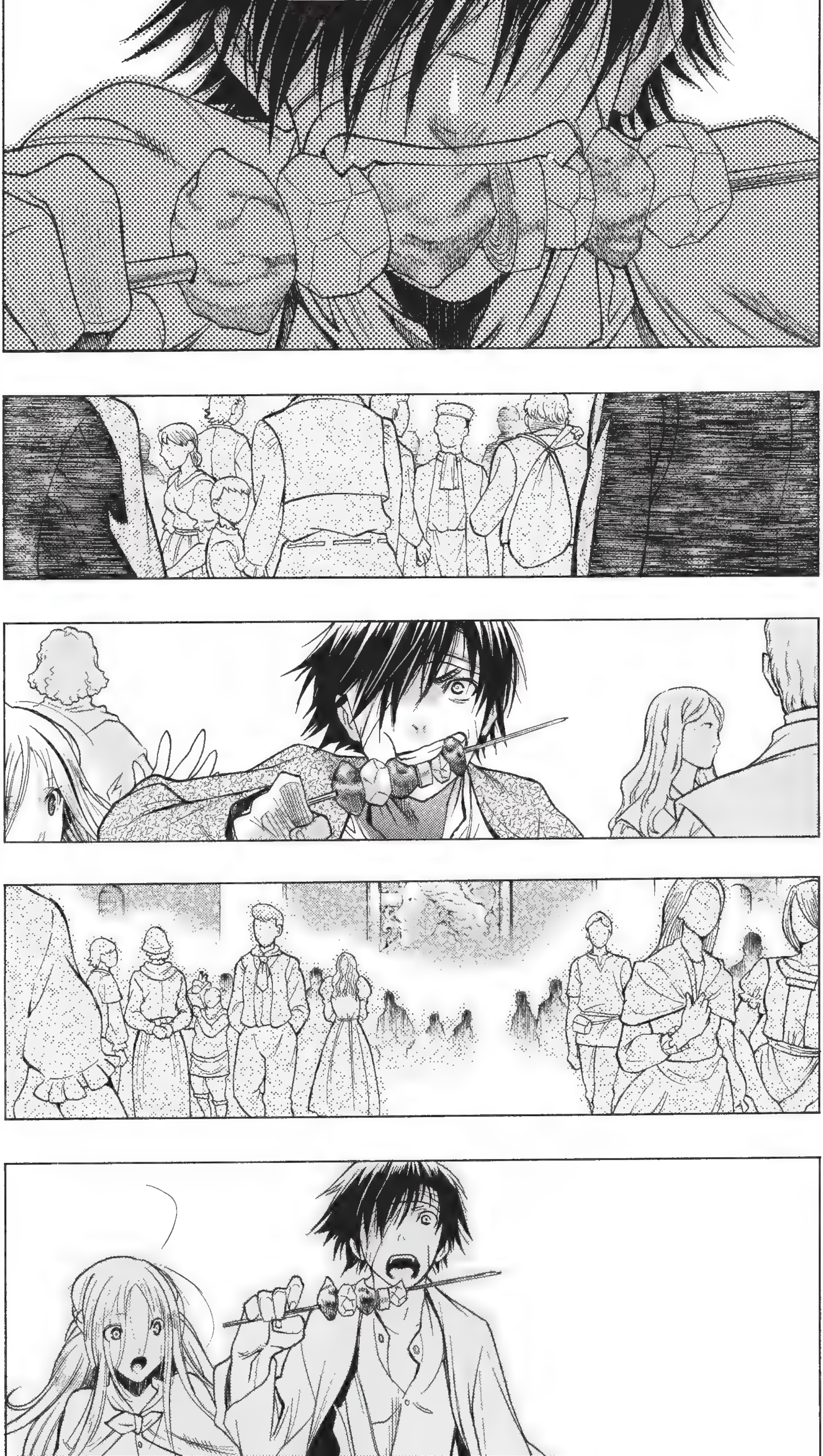
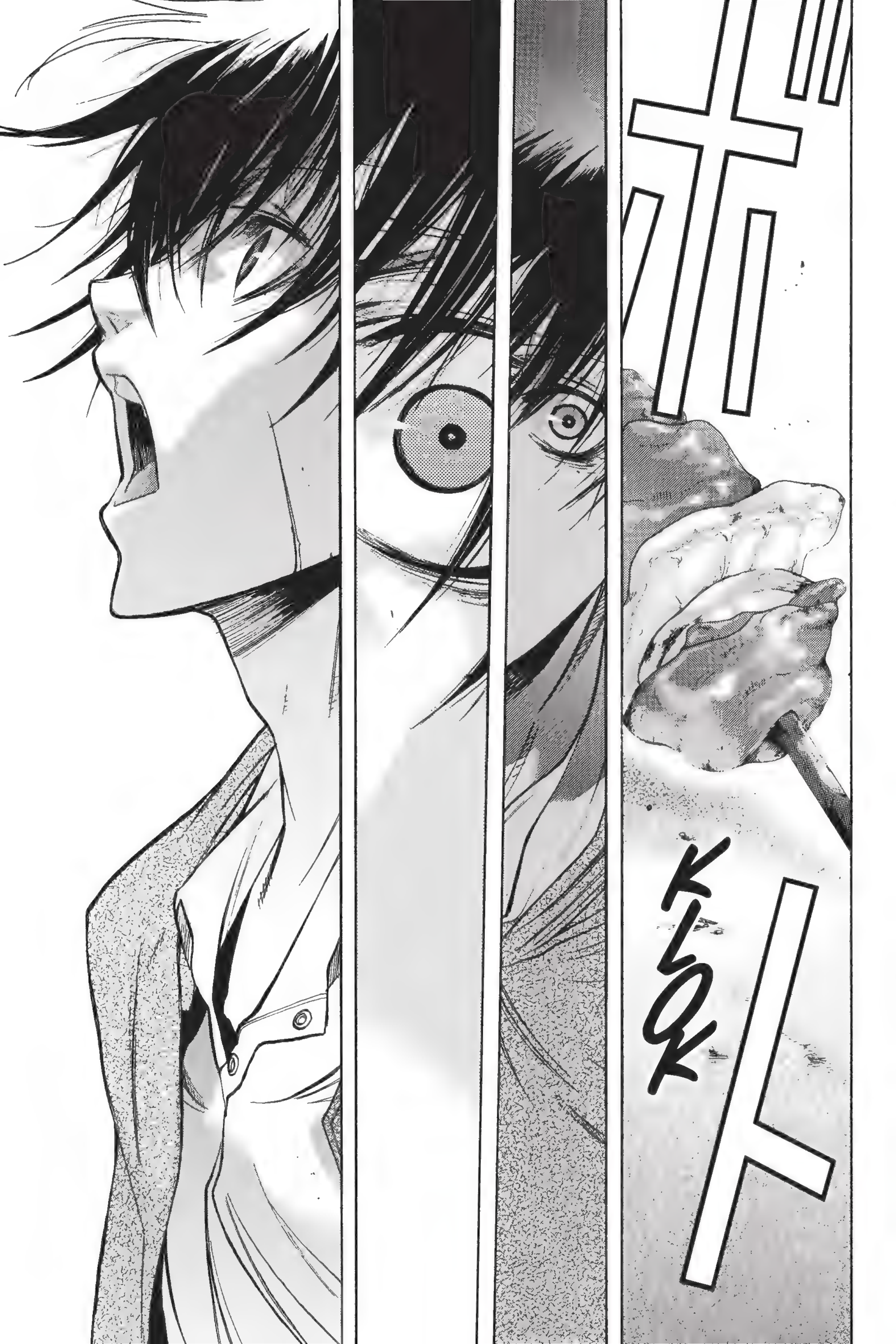


WOW!


IT'S ALL SO LIVELY!
JUST LIKE A FESTIVAL!
I SUPPOSE THAT SHOWS HOW MUCH OUR HOPES RIDE ON THE SURVEY CORPS.
AND HOW DEEP OUR DESIRE RUNS...
...TO EXPLORE THE OUTSIDE...
RIGHT... ...KUKLO?

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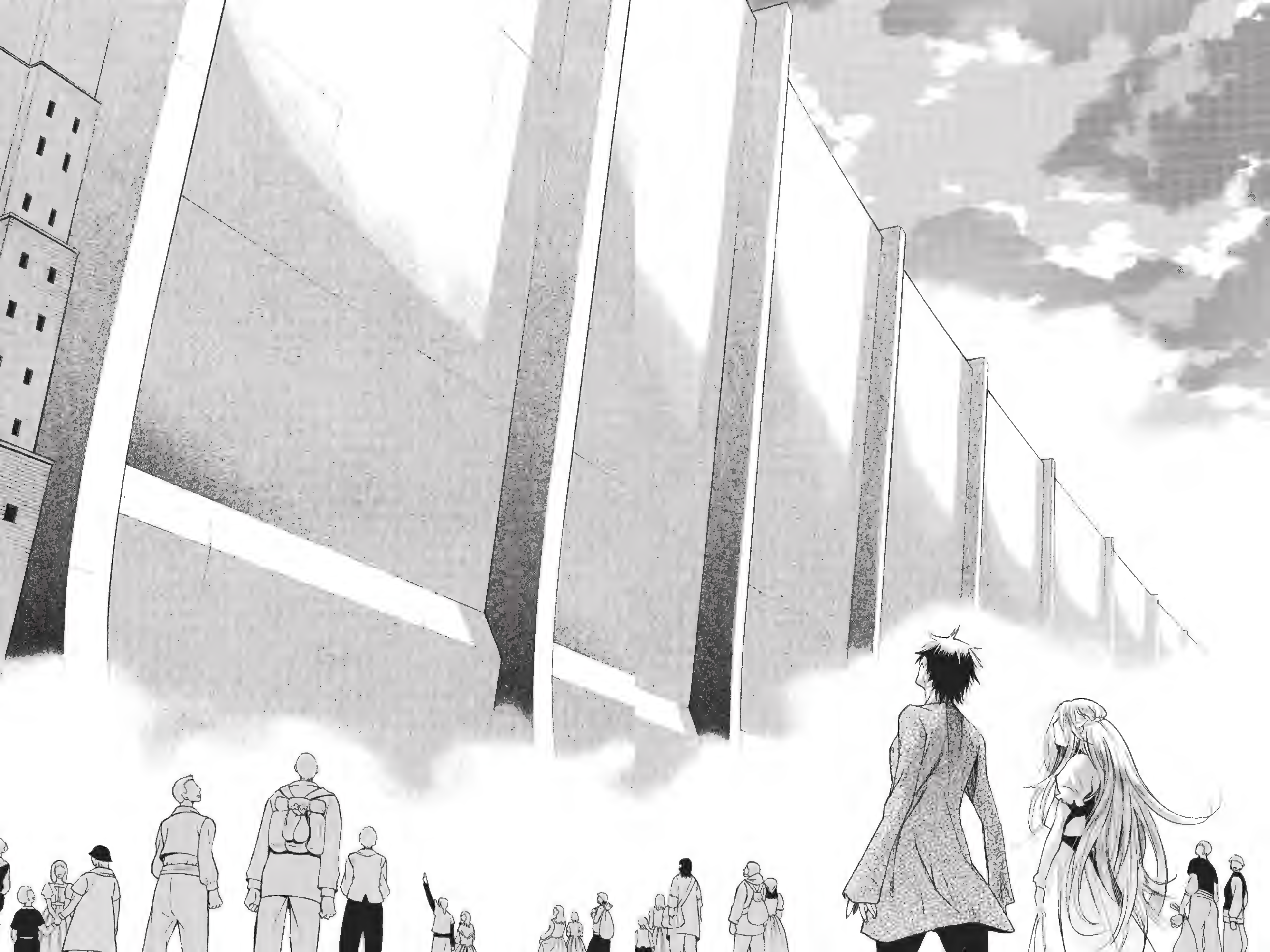
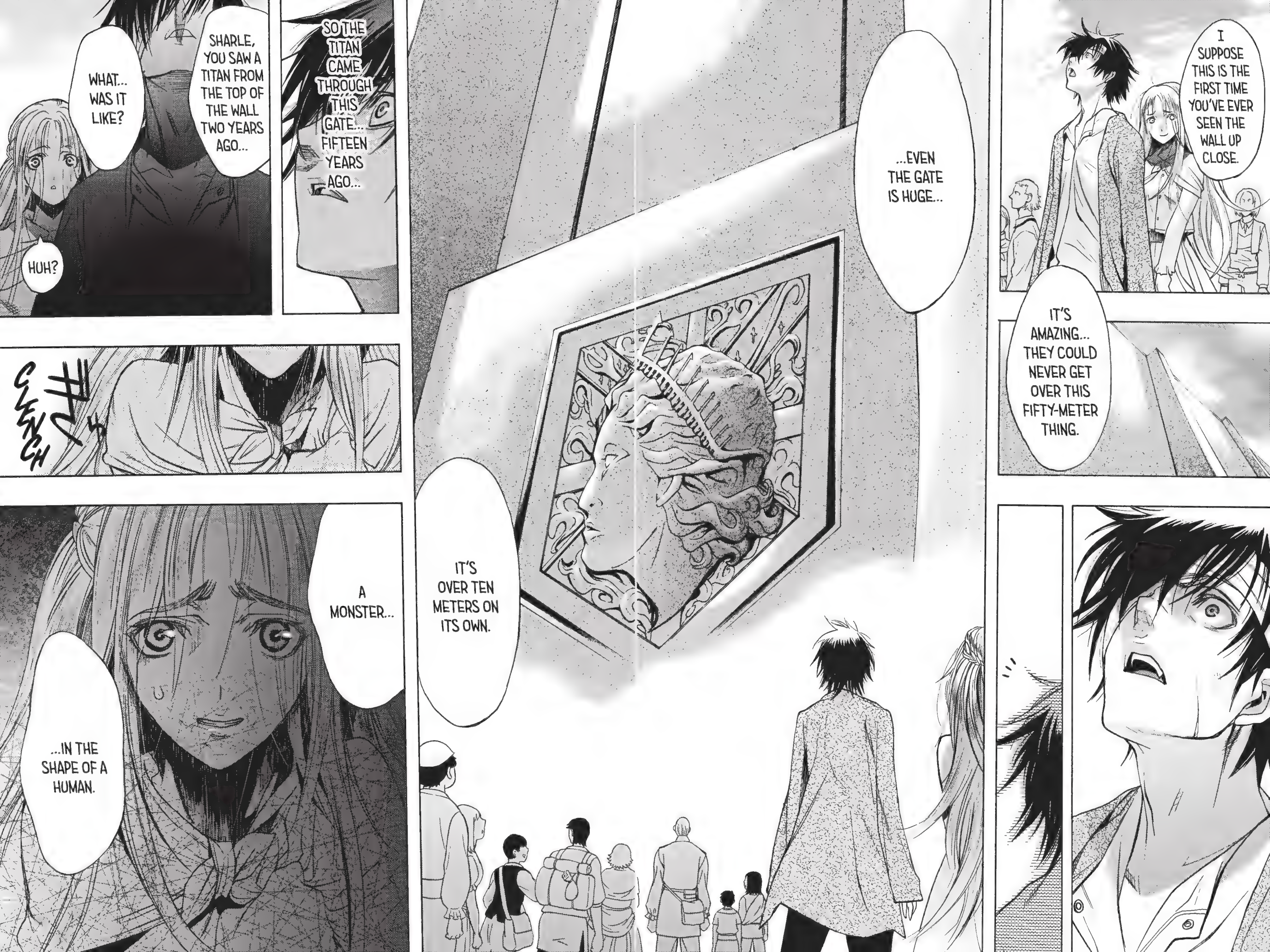
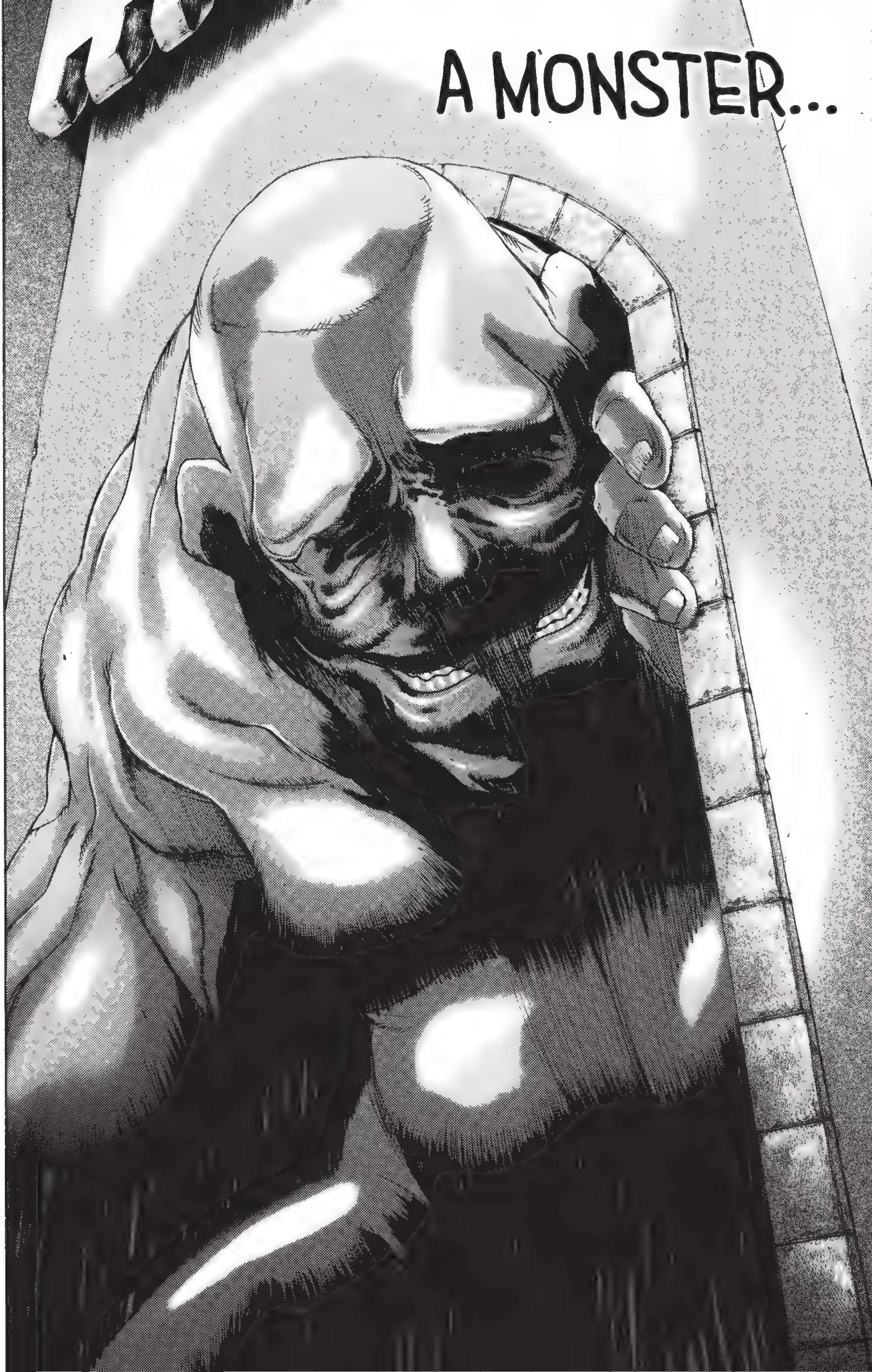
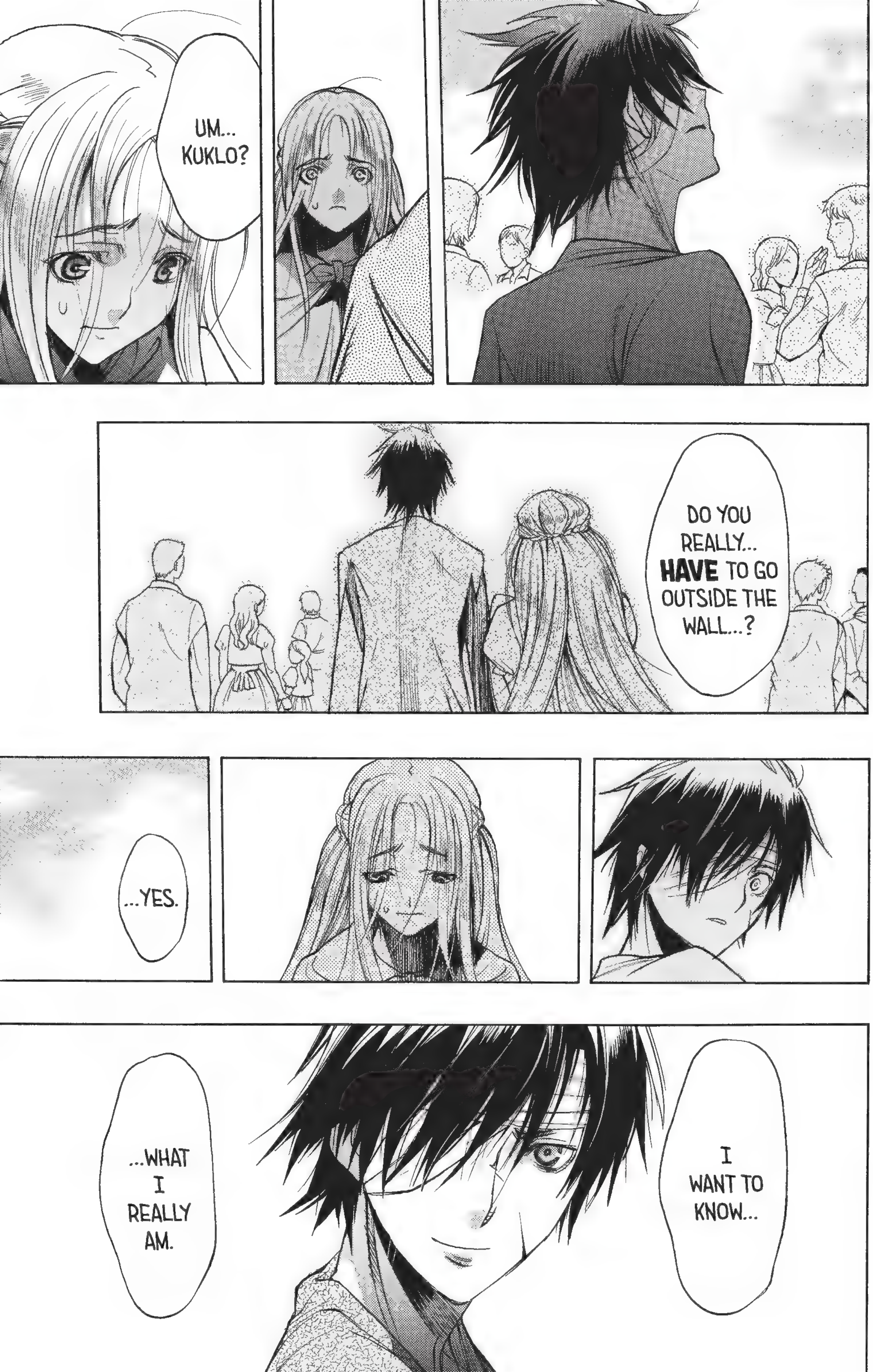
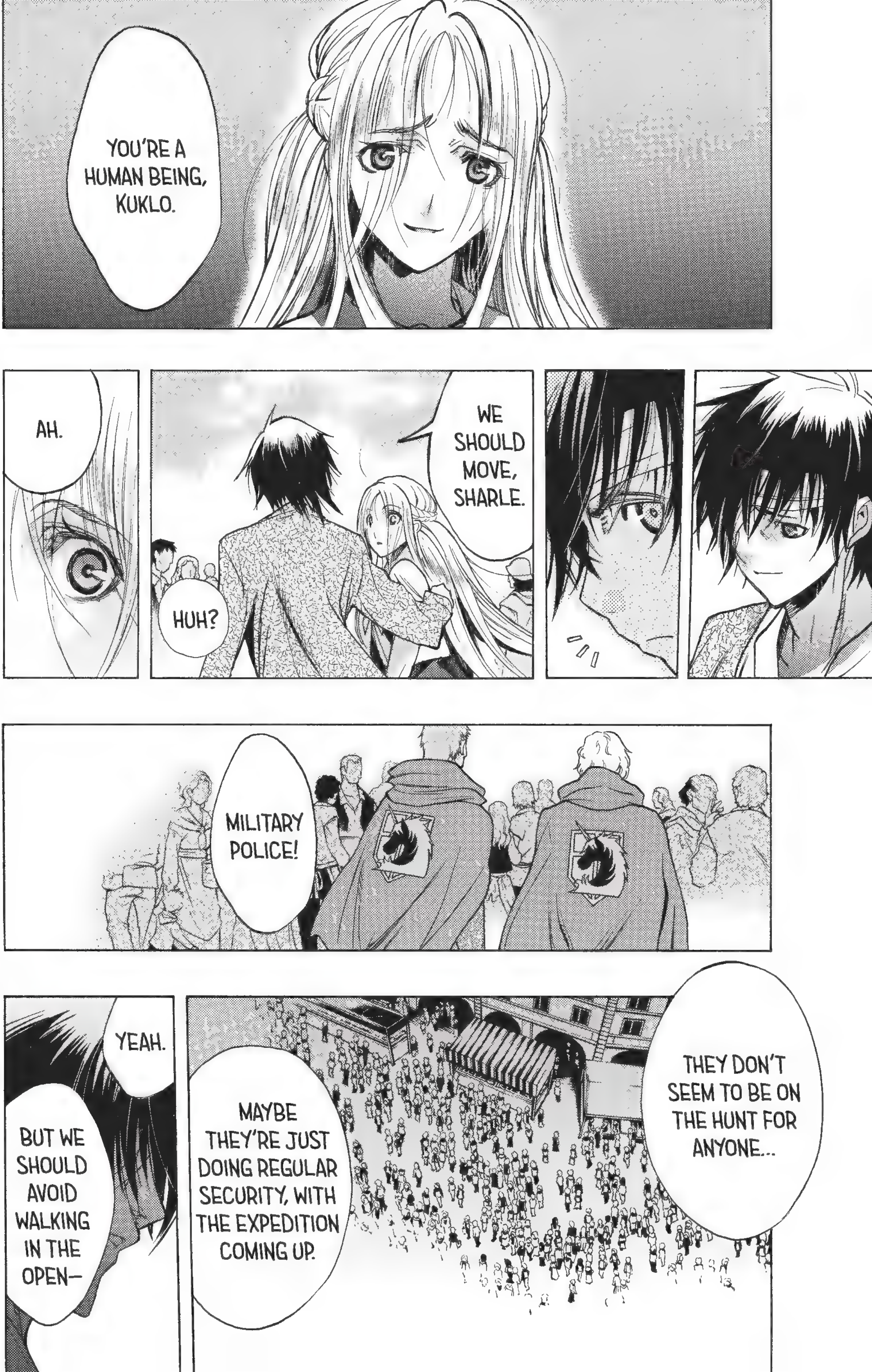
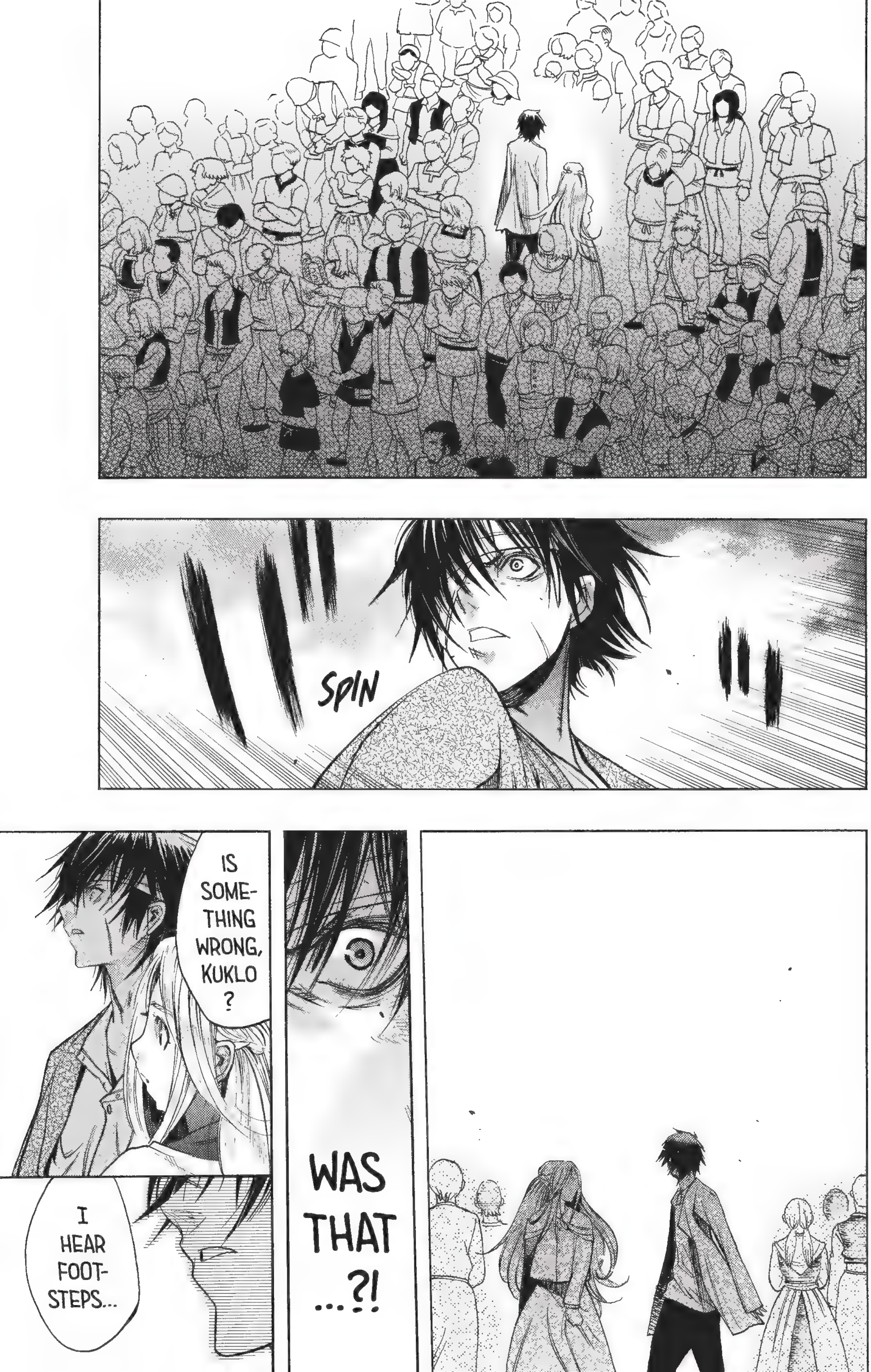


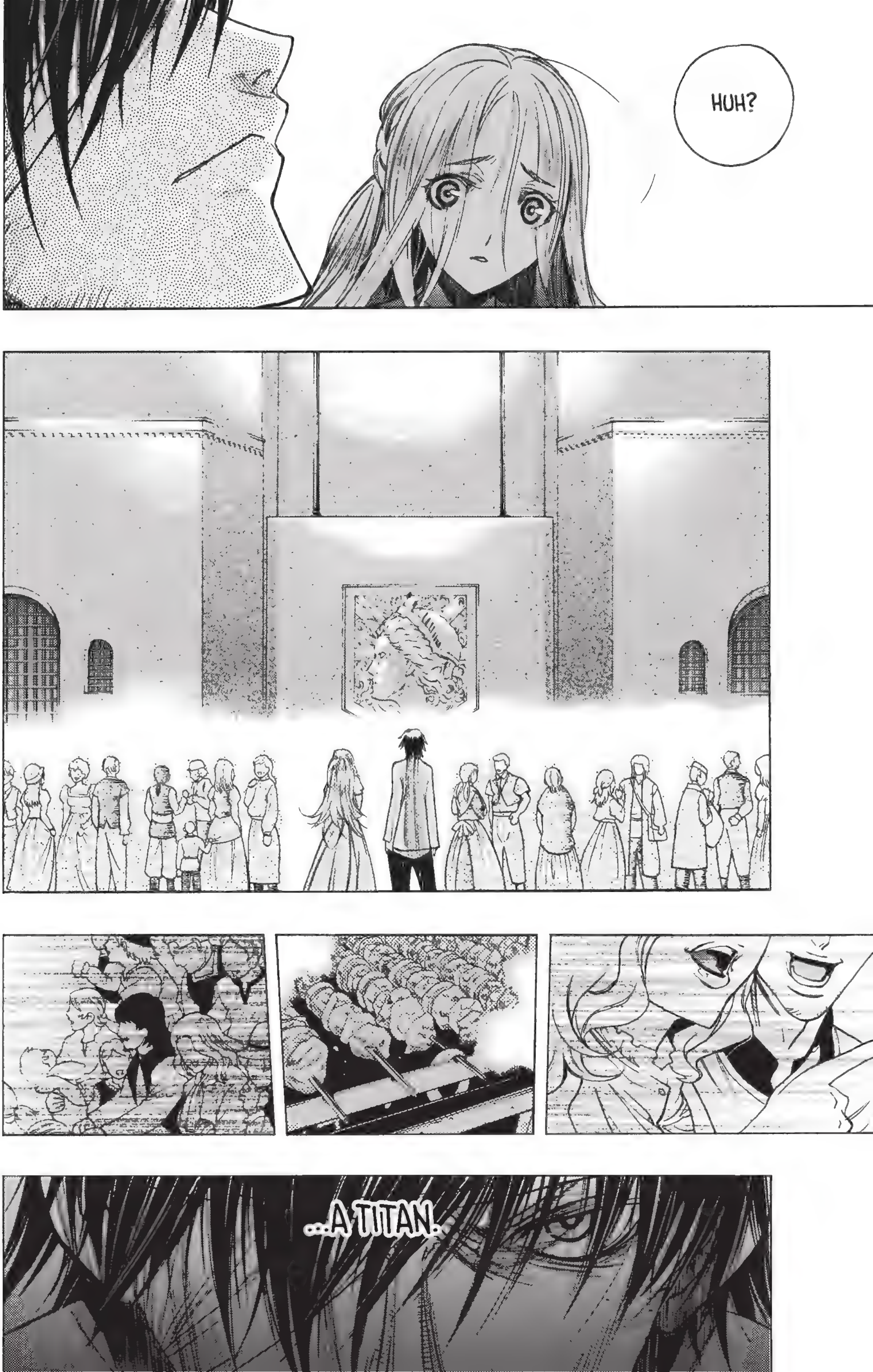

I SUPPOSE THIS IS THE FIRST TIME YOU'VE EVER SEEN THE WALL UP CLOSE.
IT'S AMAZING... THEY COULD NEVER GET OVER THIS FIFTY-METER THING.
...EVEN THE GATE IS HUGE...
IT'S OVER TEN METERS ON ITS OWN.
SO THE TITAN CAME THROUGH THIS GATE... FIFTEEN YEARS AGO...
SHARLE, YOU SAW A TITAN FROM THE TOP OF THE WALL TWO YEARS AGO...
WHAT... WAS IT LIKE?
HUH?
CLENCH
A MONSTER...
...IN THE SHAPE OF A HUMAN.

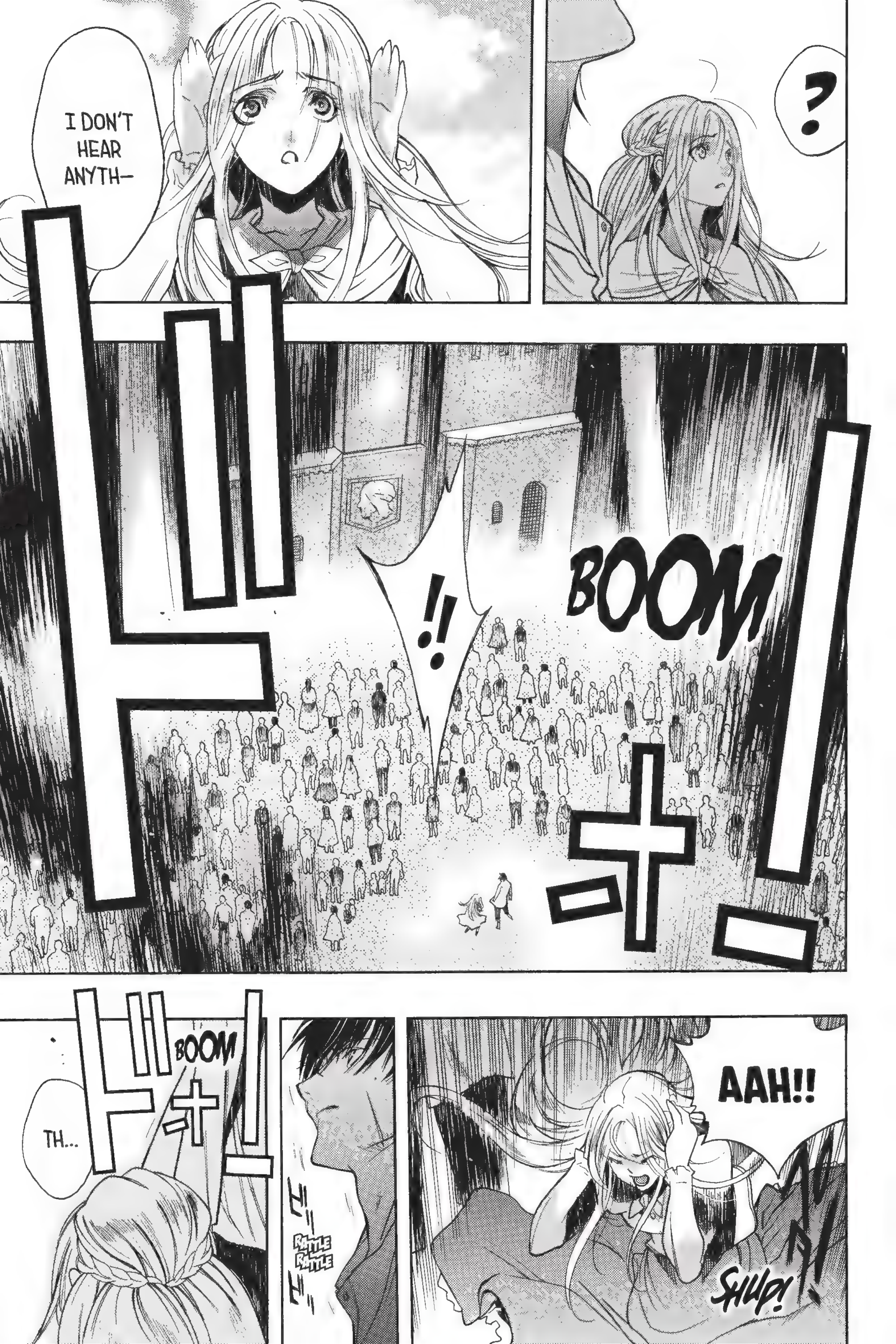

A MONSTER...

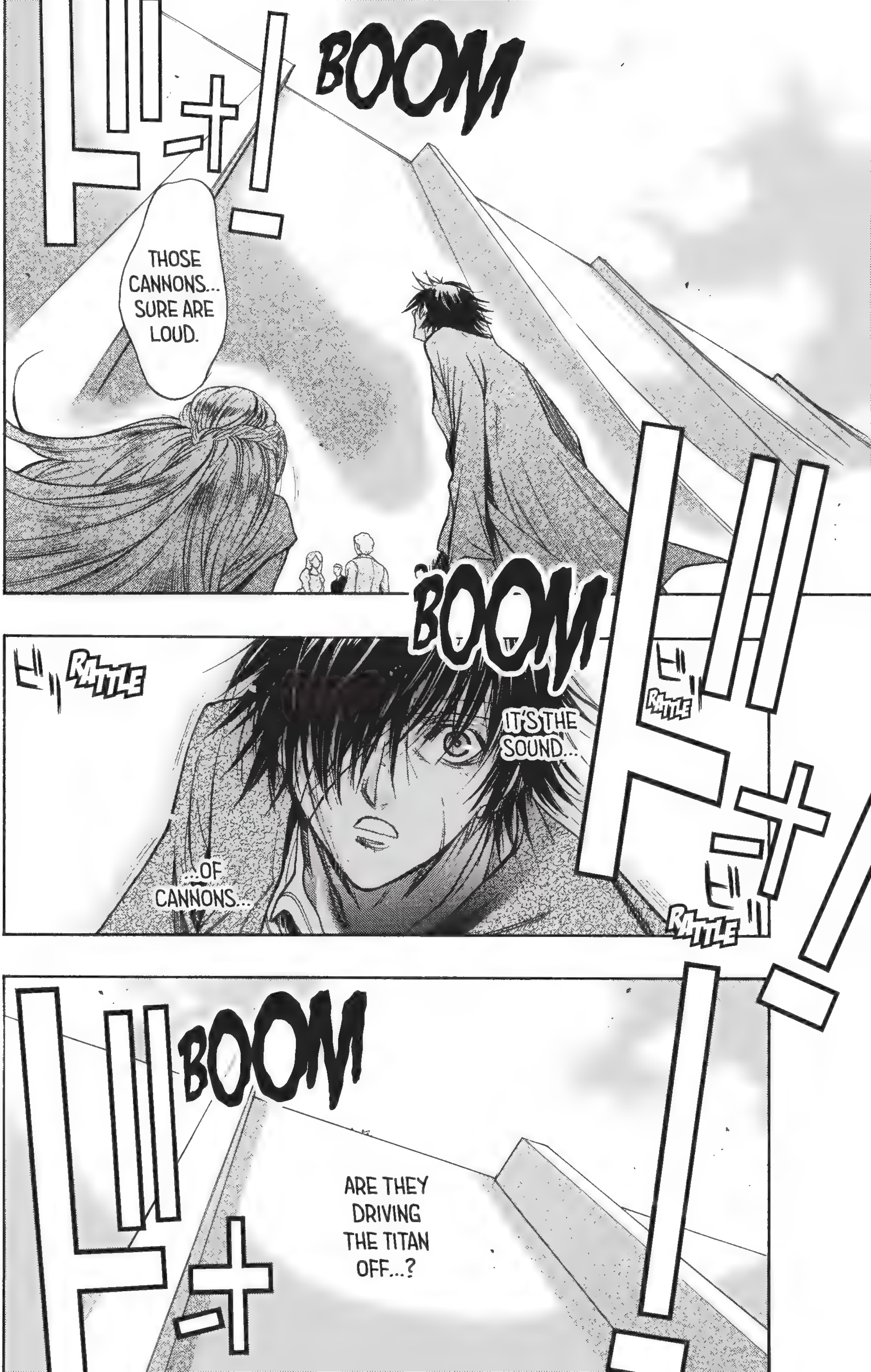

UM... KUKLO?
DO YOU REALLY... **HAVE** TO GO OUTSIDE THE WALL...?
...YES.
I WANT TO KNOW...
...WHAT I REALLY AM.

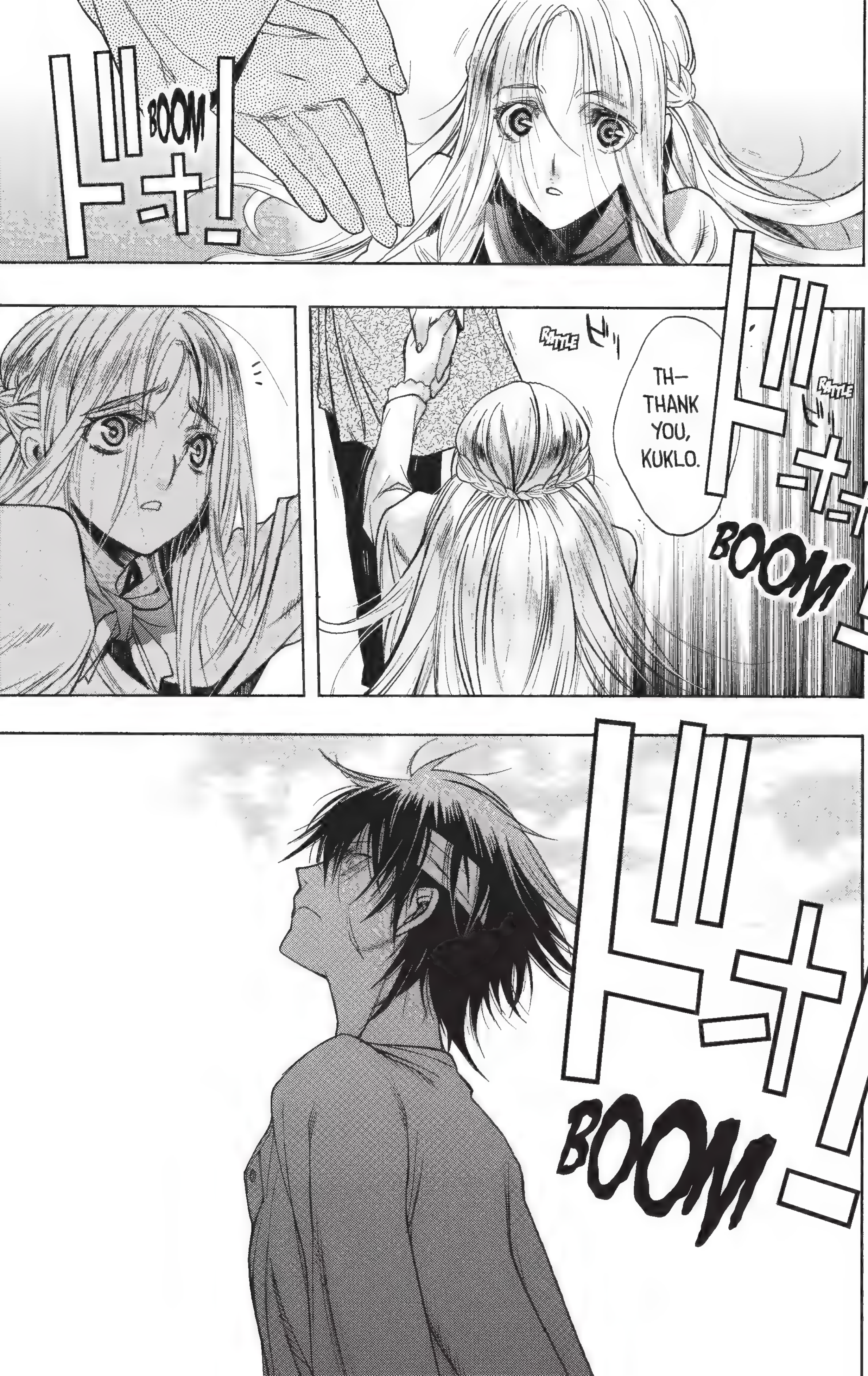

YOU'RE A HUMAN BEING, KUKLO.
WE SHOULD MOVE, SHARLE.
HUH?
AH.
MILITARY POLICE!
THEY DON'T SEEM TO BE ON THE HUNT FOR ANYONE...
MAYBE THEY'RE JUST DOING REGULAR SECURITY, WITH THE EXPEDITION COMING UP.
YEAH.
BUT WE SHOULD AVOID WALKING IN THE OPEN—


SPIN
WAS THAT ...?!
IS SOMETHING WRONG, KUKLO?
I HEAR FOOTSTEPS...


HUH?
...A TITAN.


?
I DON'T HEAR ANYTH—
!!
BOOM
AAH!!
SHUP!
RATTLE RATTLE
BOOM
TH...


ドォ！
BOOM
THOSE CANNONS... SURE ARE LOUD.
ドォ！
BOOM
ビリ
RATTLE
IT'S THE SOUND...
ビリ
RATTLE
...OF CANNONS...
ビリ
RATTLE
ドォ！
BOOM
ARE THEY DRIVING THE TITAN OFF...?


ドーン!
BOOM
RATTLE
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RATTLE
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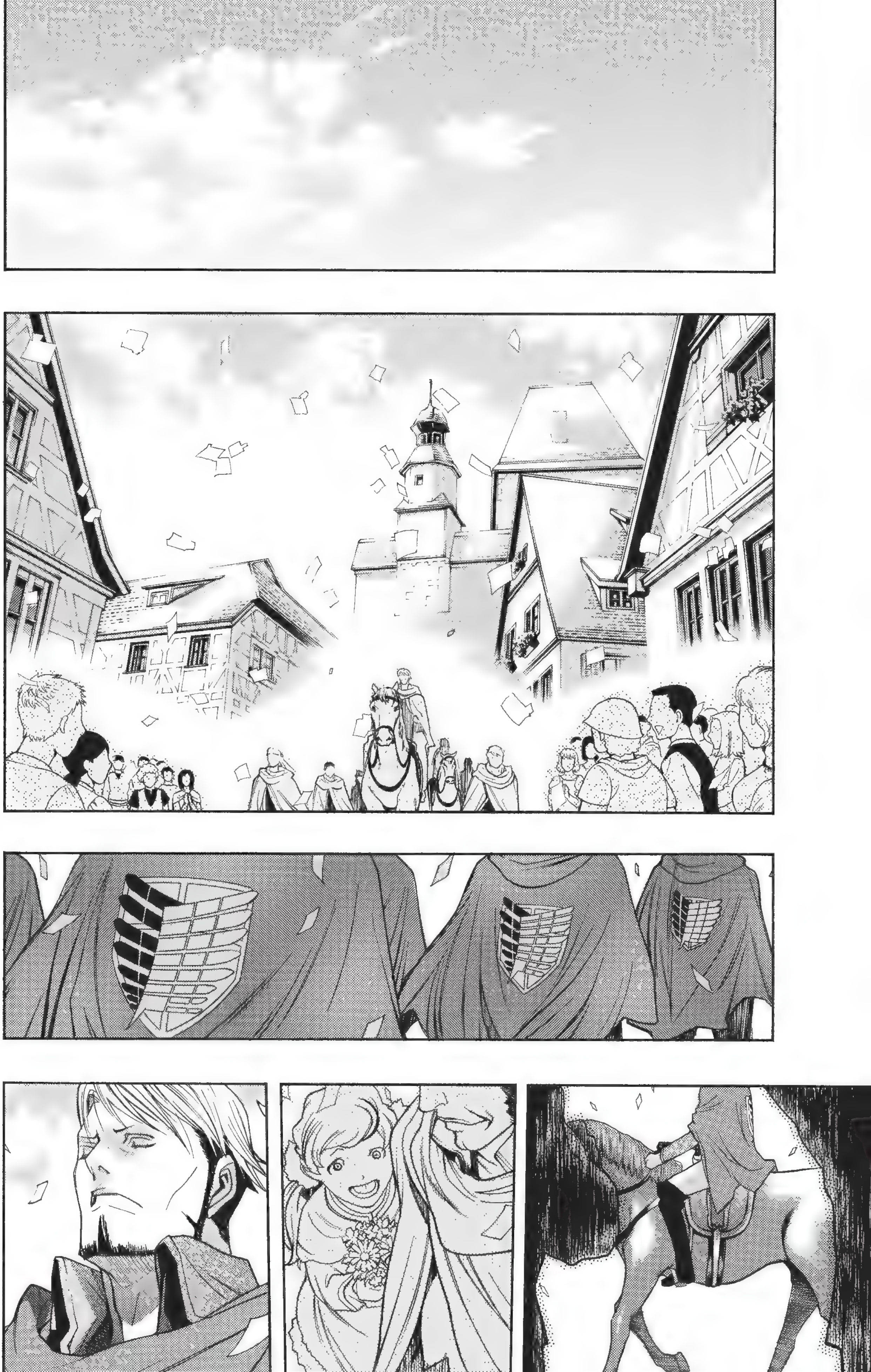
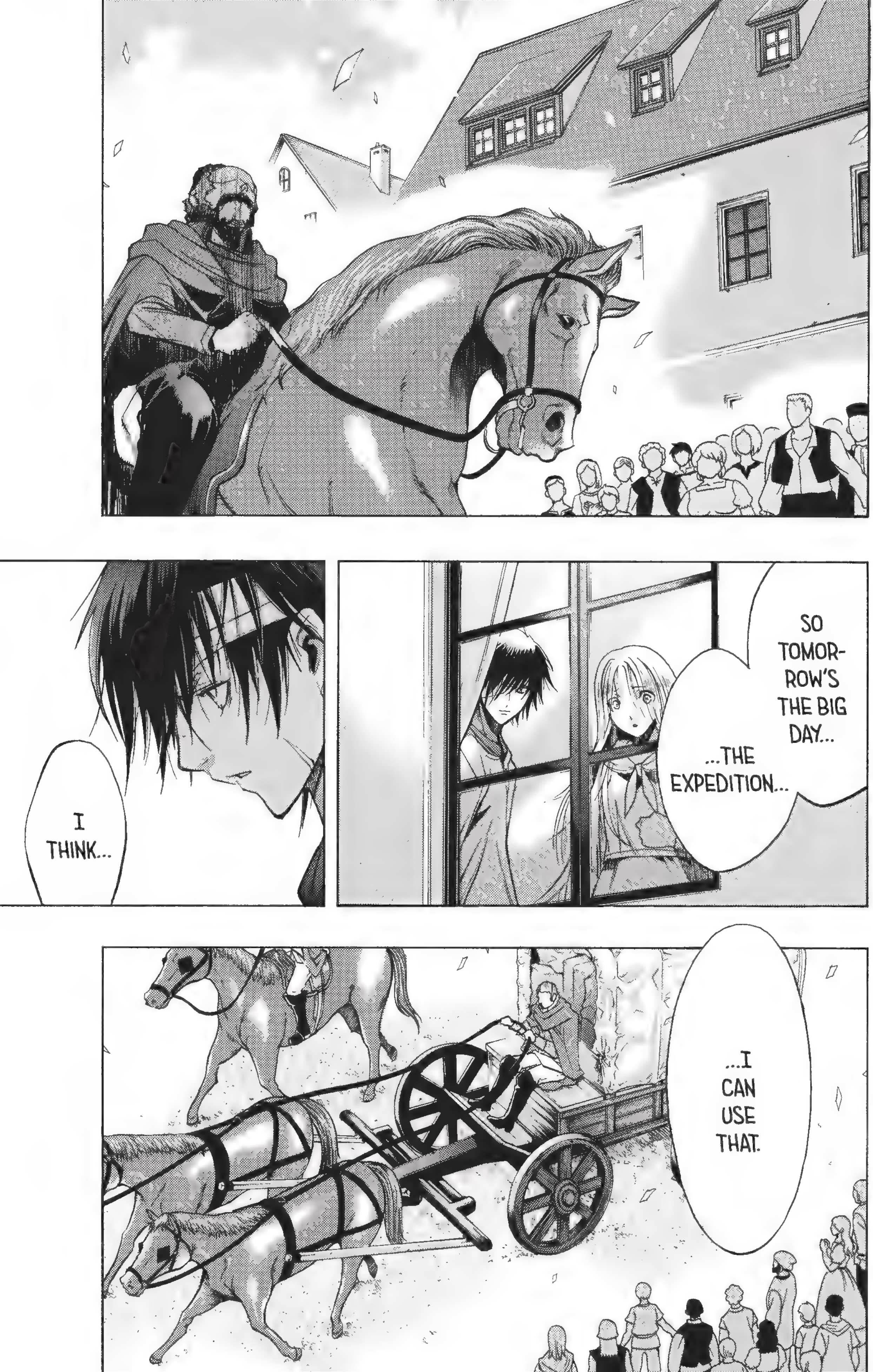
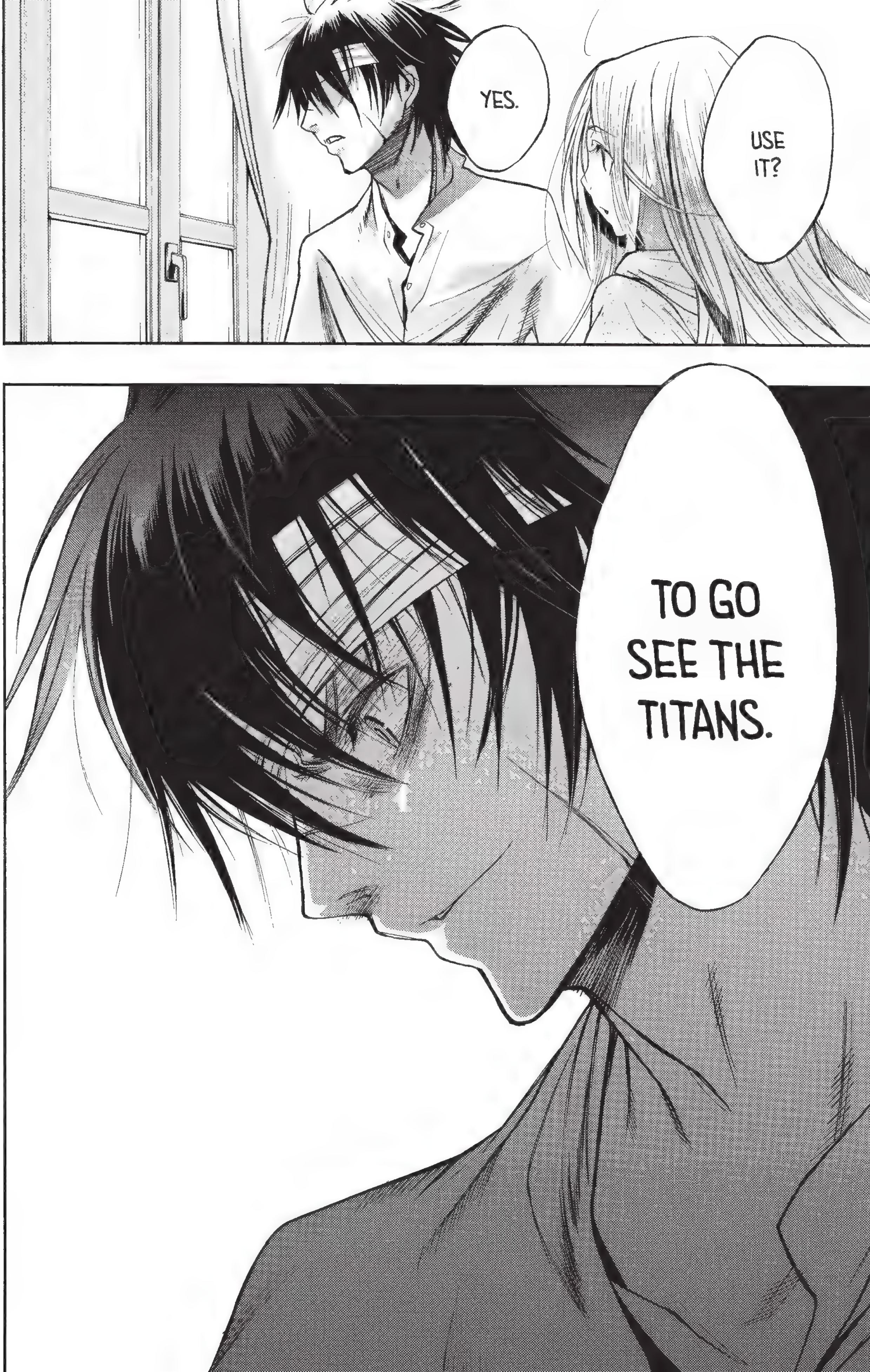
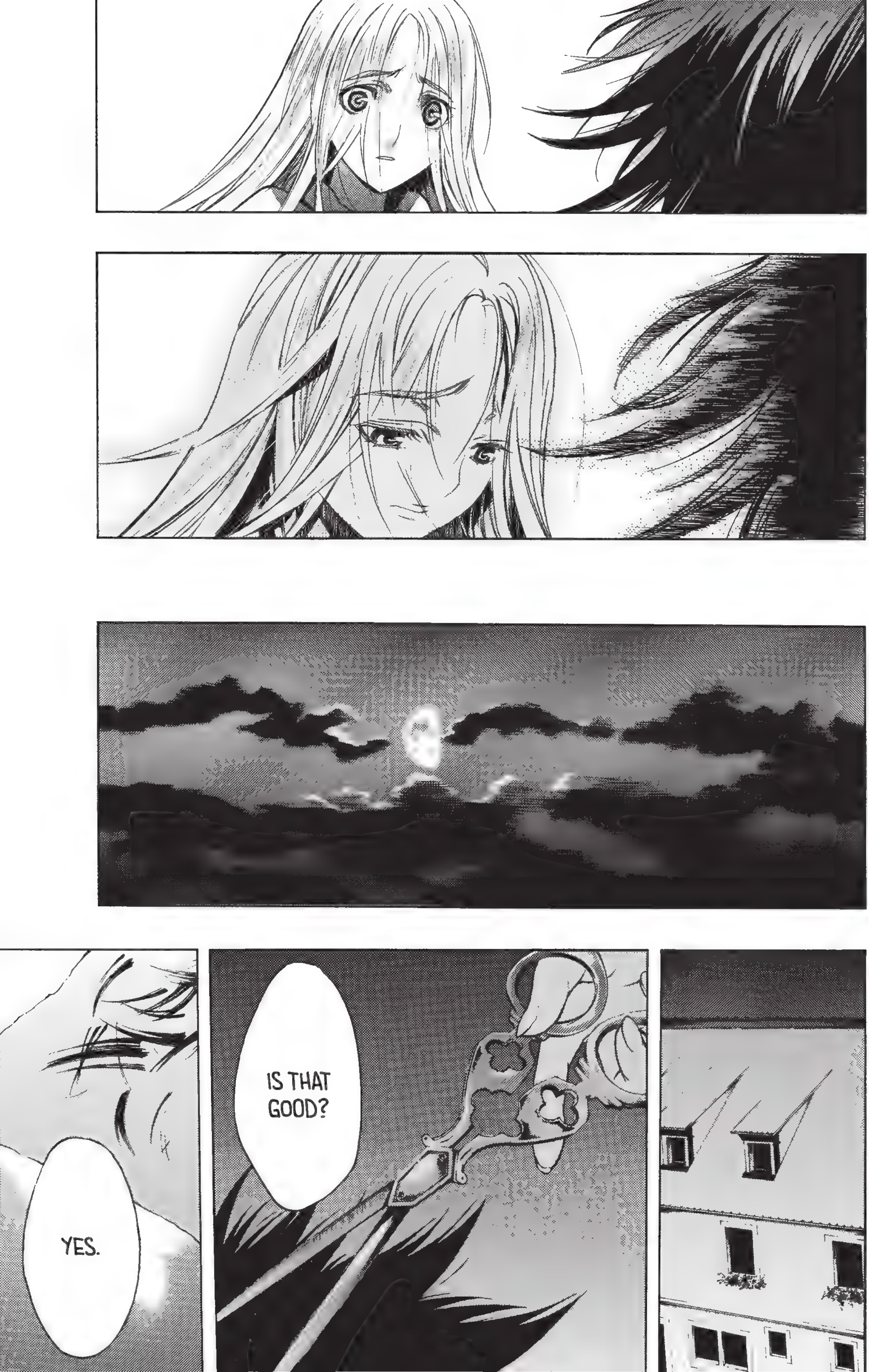
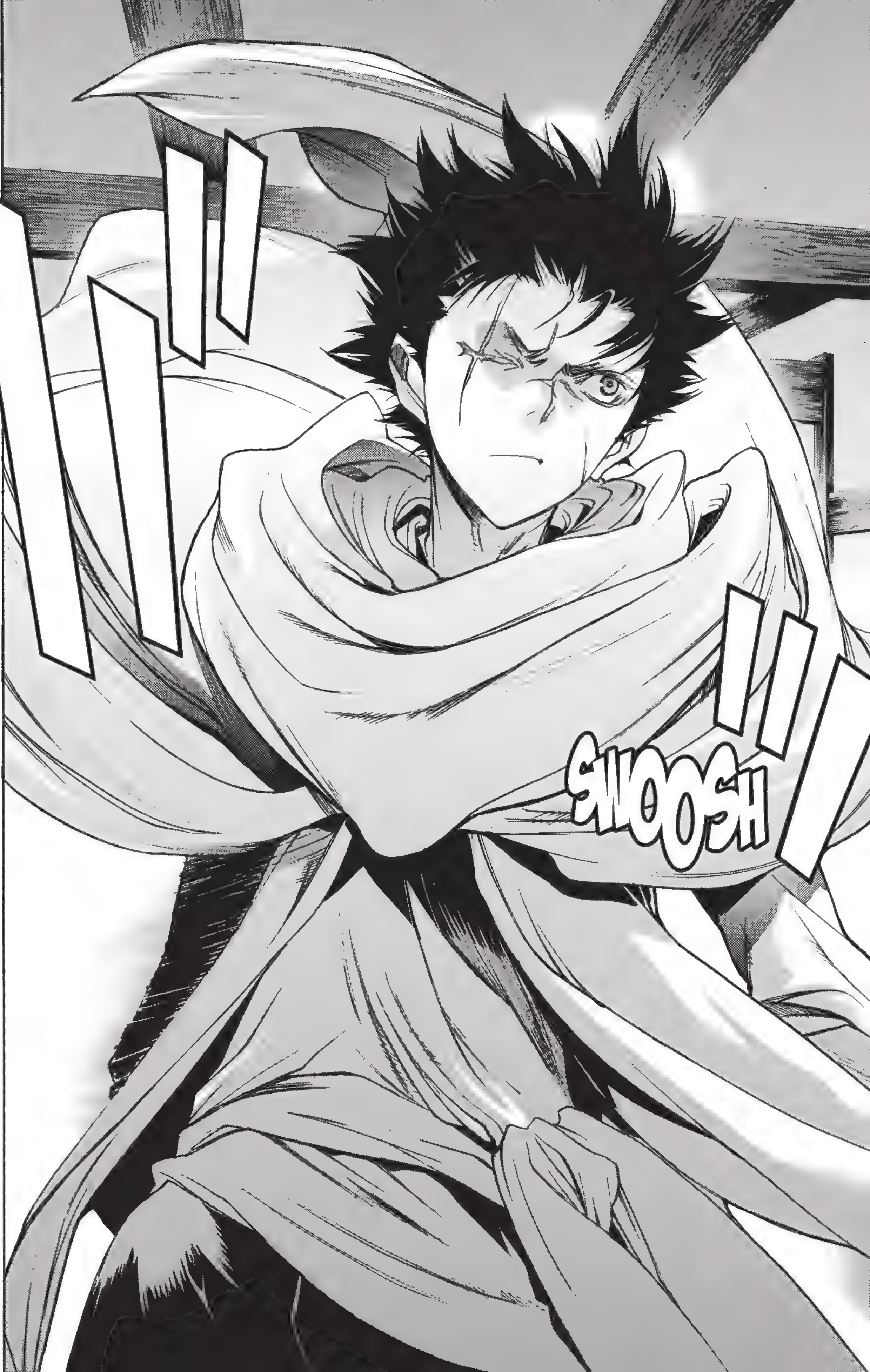
TH— THANK YOU, KUKLO.
ドーン!
BOOM
ドーン!
BOOM




SO TOMORROW'S THE BIG DAY... ...THE EXPEDITION...
I THINK...
...I CAN USE THAT.


USE IT?
YES.
TO GO SEE THE TITANS.


IS THAT GOOD?
YES.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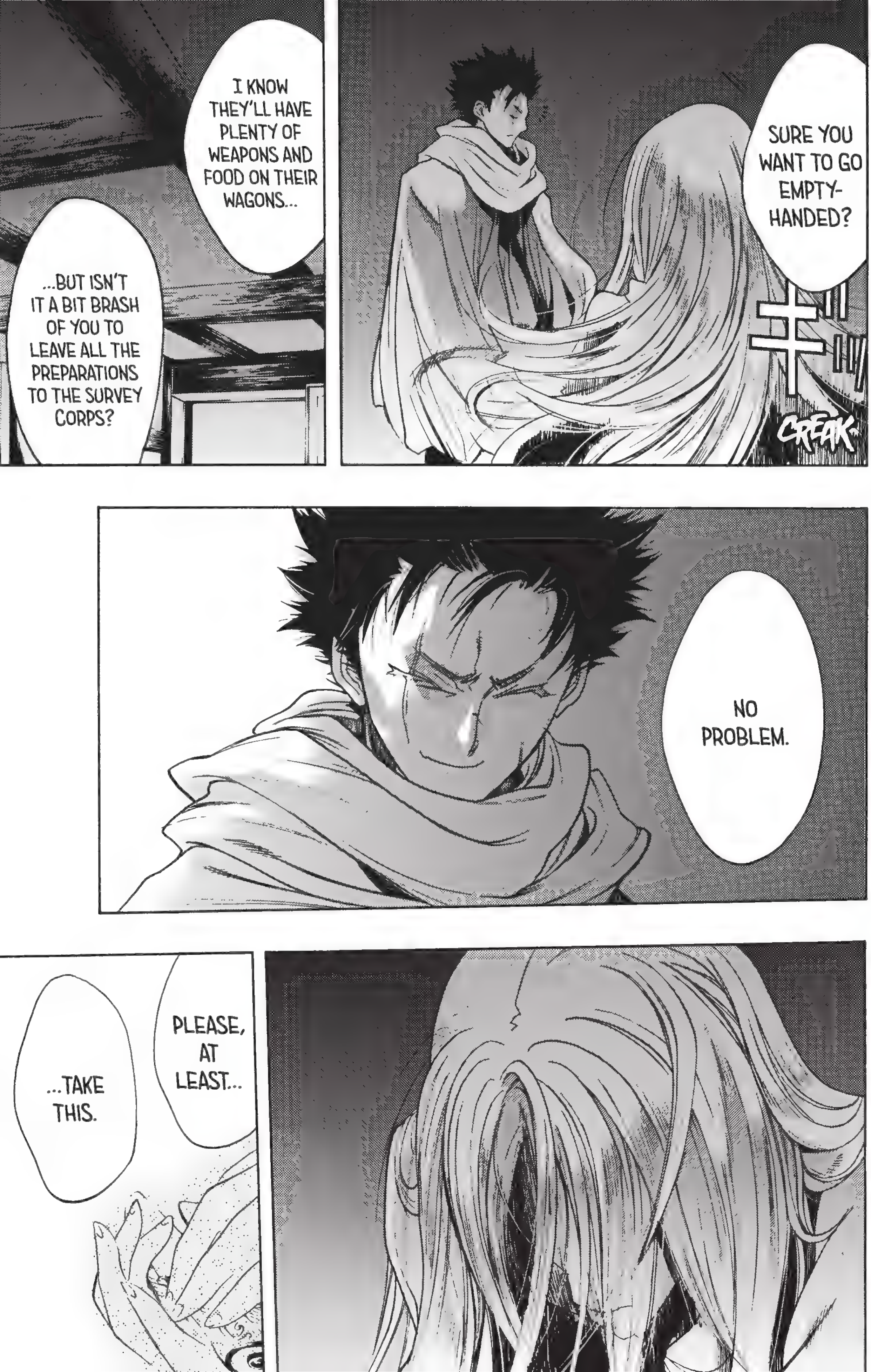
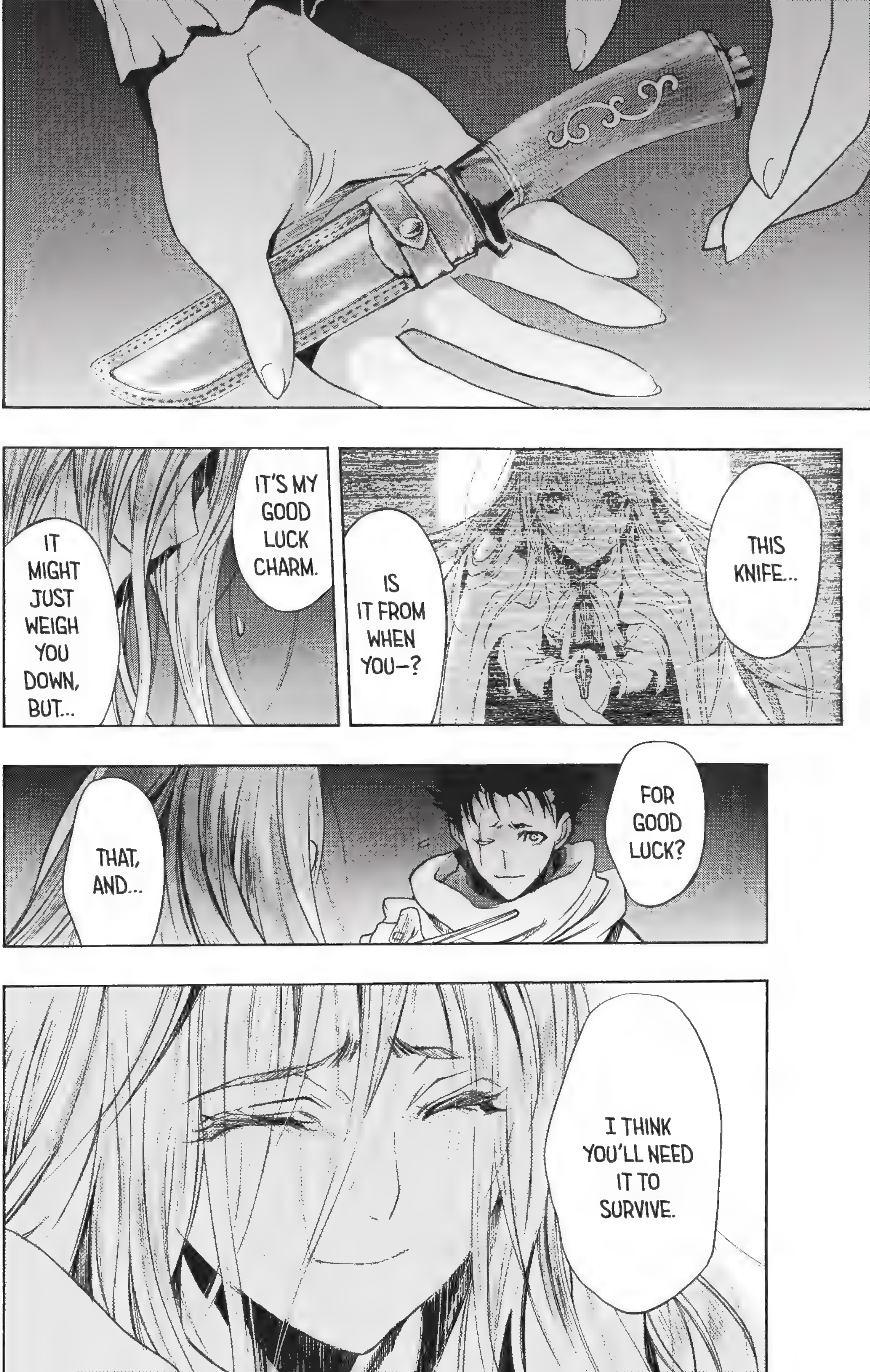
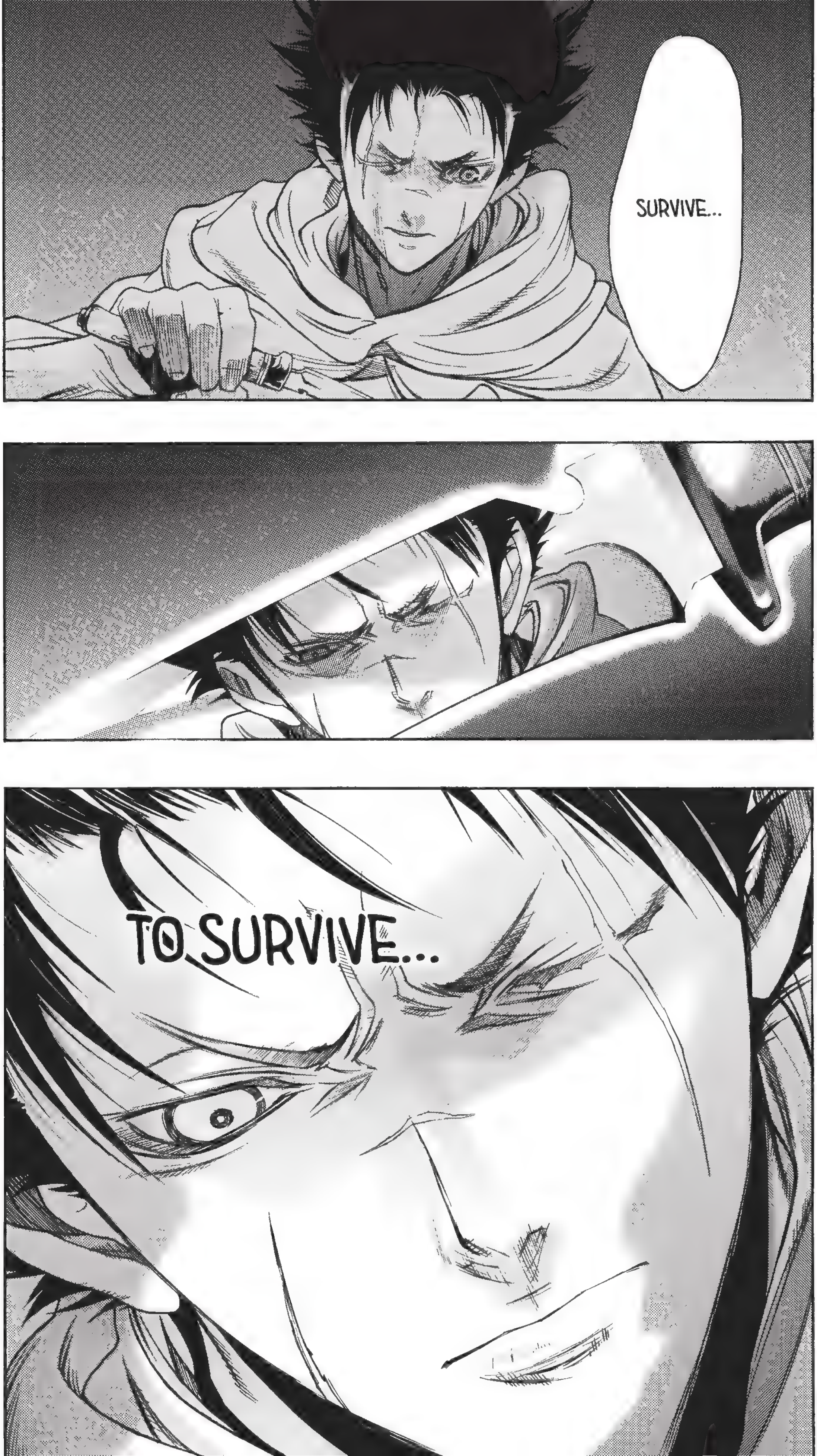
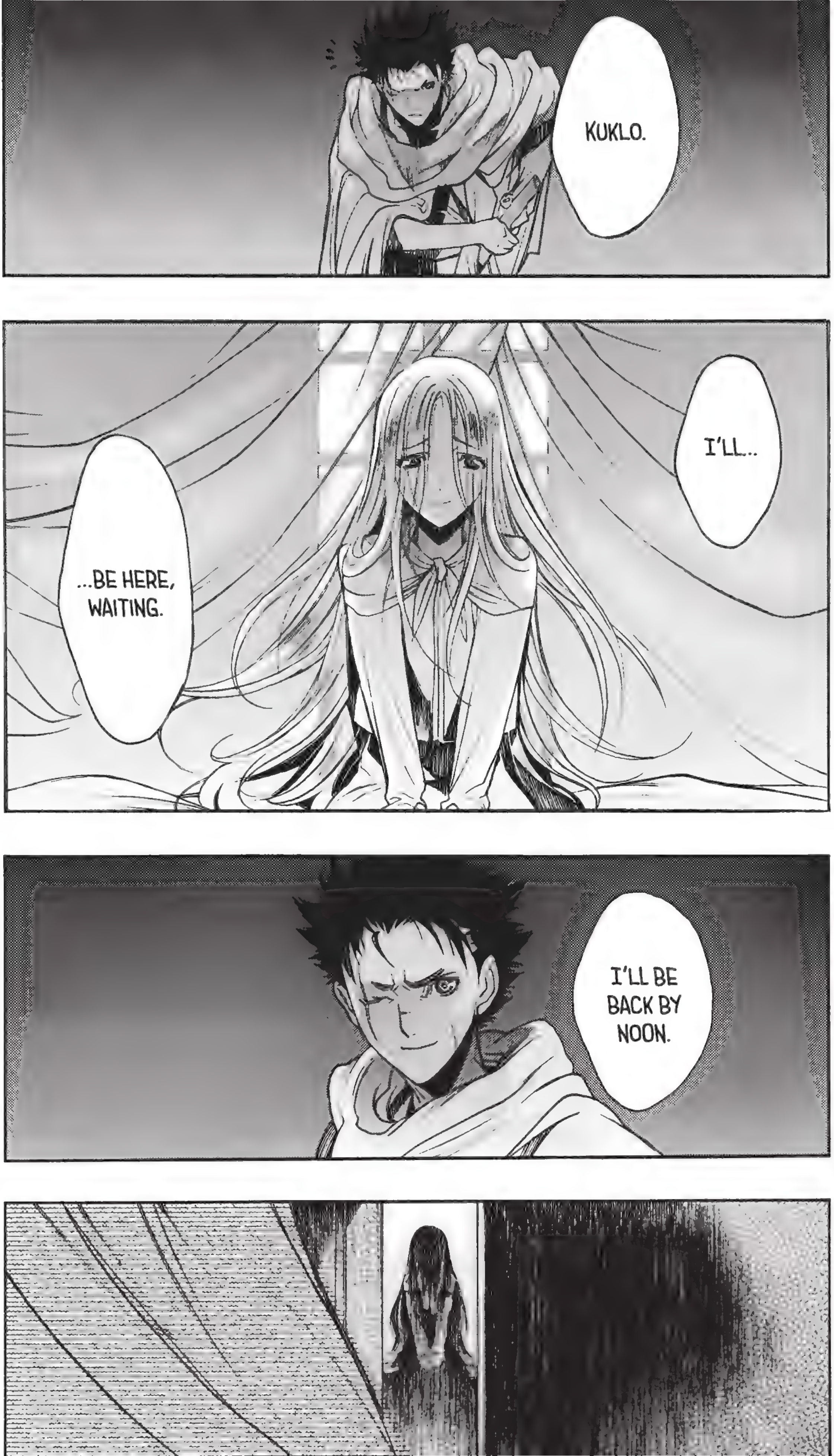
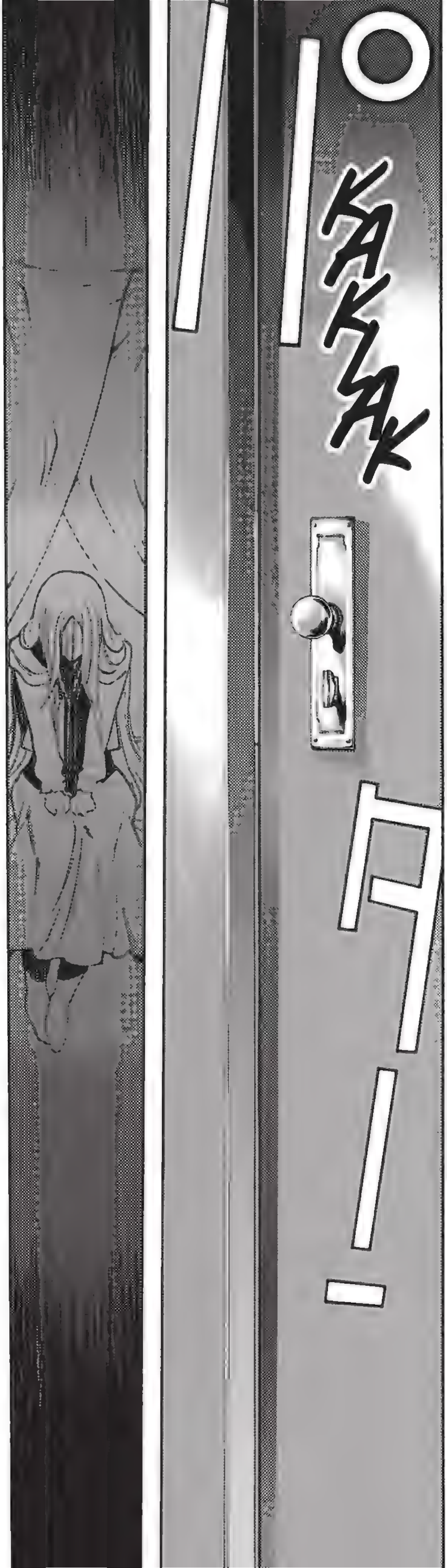

SURE YOU WANT TO GO EMPTY-HANDED?
CREAK
I KNOW THEY'LL HAVE PLENTY OF WEAPONS AND FOOD ON THEIR WAGONS...
...BUT ISN'T IT A BIT BRASH OF YOU TO LEAVE ALL THE PREPARATIONS TO THE SURVEY CORPS?
NO PROBLEM.
PLEASE, AT LEAST...
...TAKE THIS.


THIS KNIFE...
IS IT FROM WHEN YOU—?
IT'S MY GOOD LUCK CHARM.
IT MIGHT JUST WEIGH YOU DOWN, BUT...
FOR GOOD LUCK?
THAT, AND...
I THINK YOU'LL NEED IT TO SURVIVE.


SURVIVE...
TO SURVIVE...


KUKLO.
I'LL...
...BE HERE, WAITING.
I'LL BE BACK BY NOON.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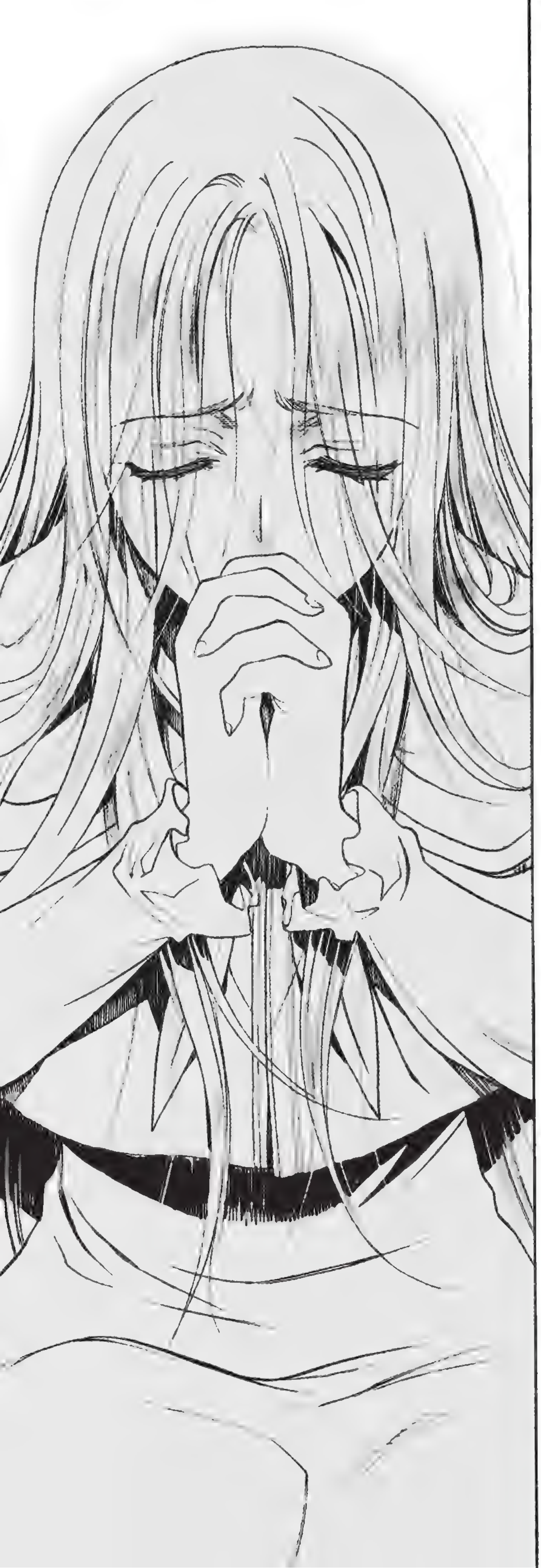
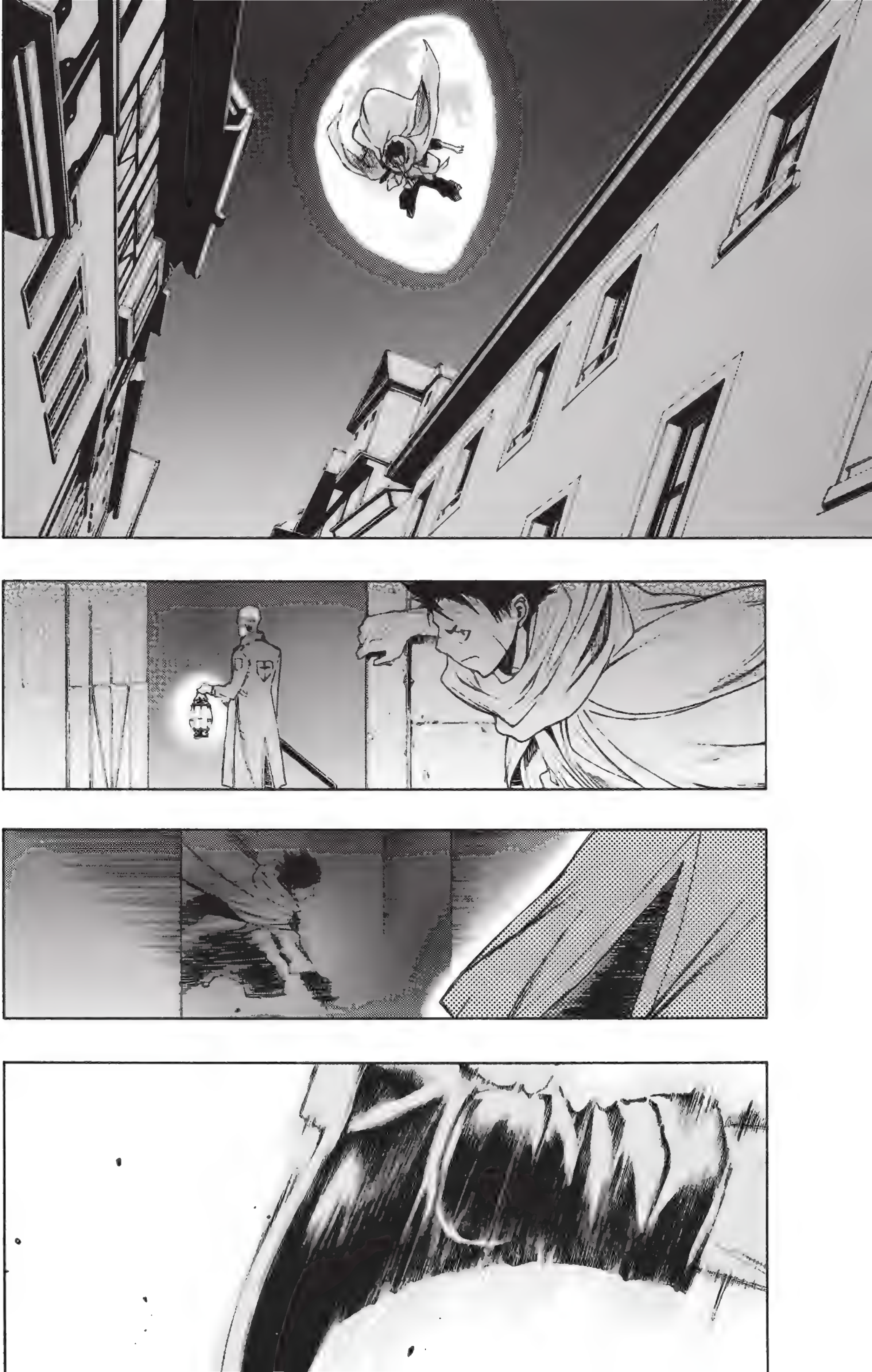
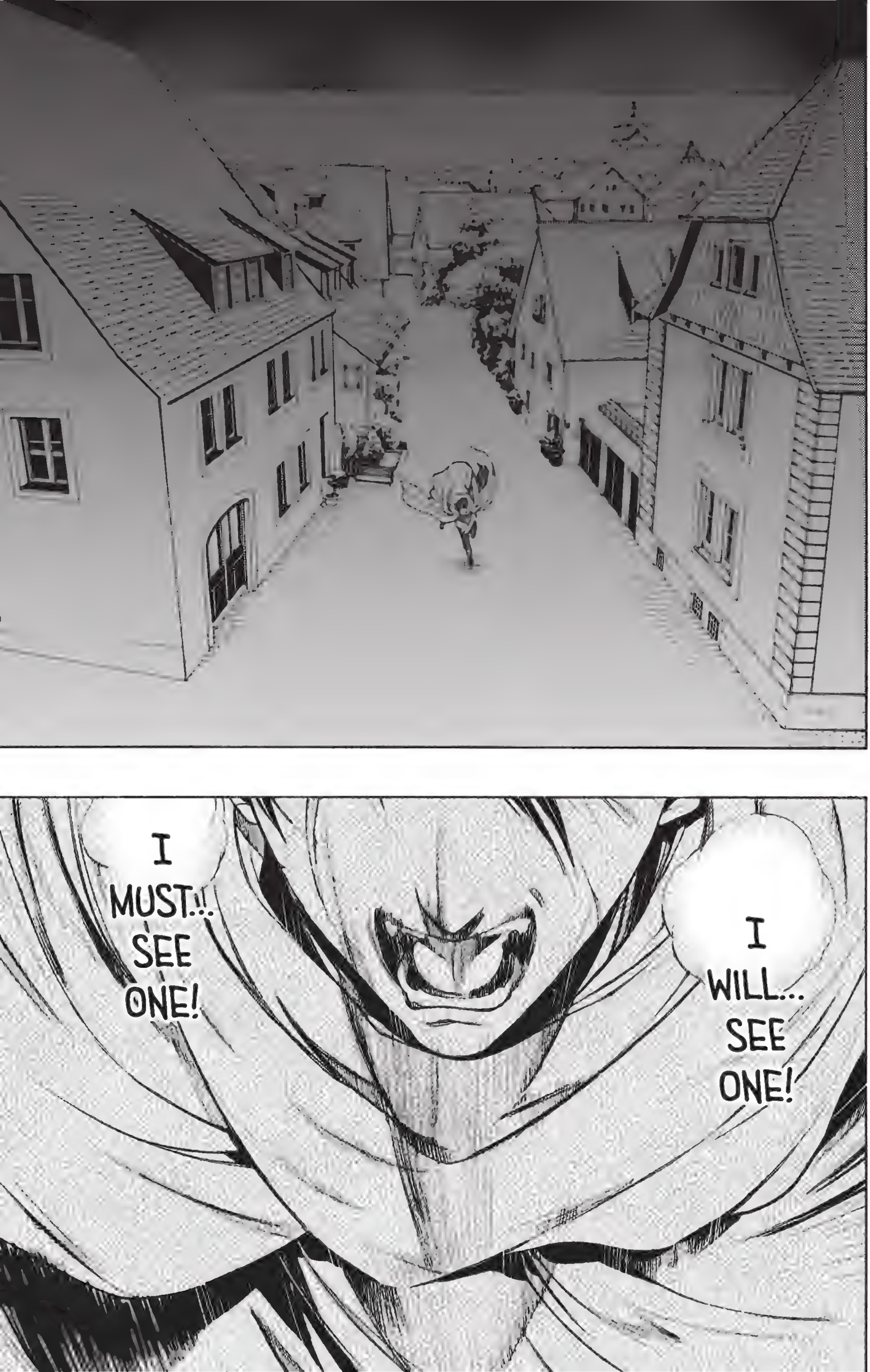
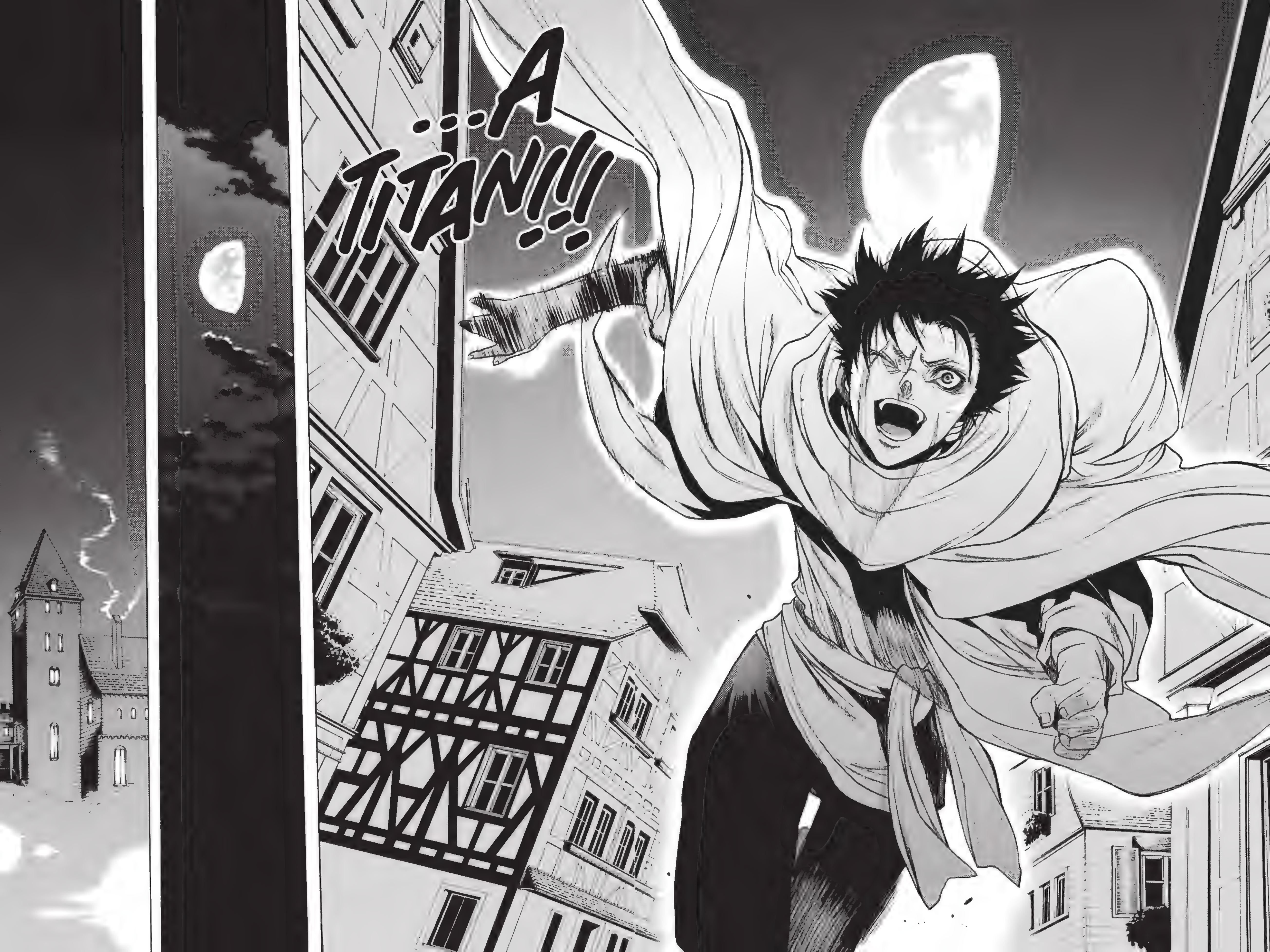
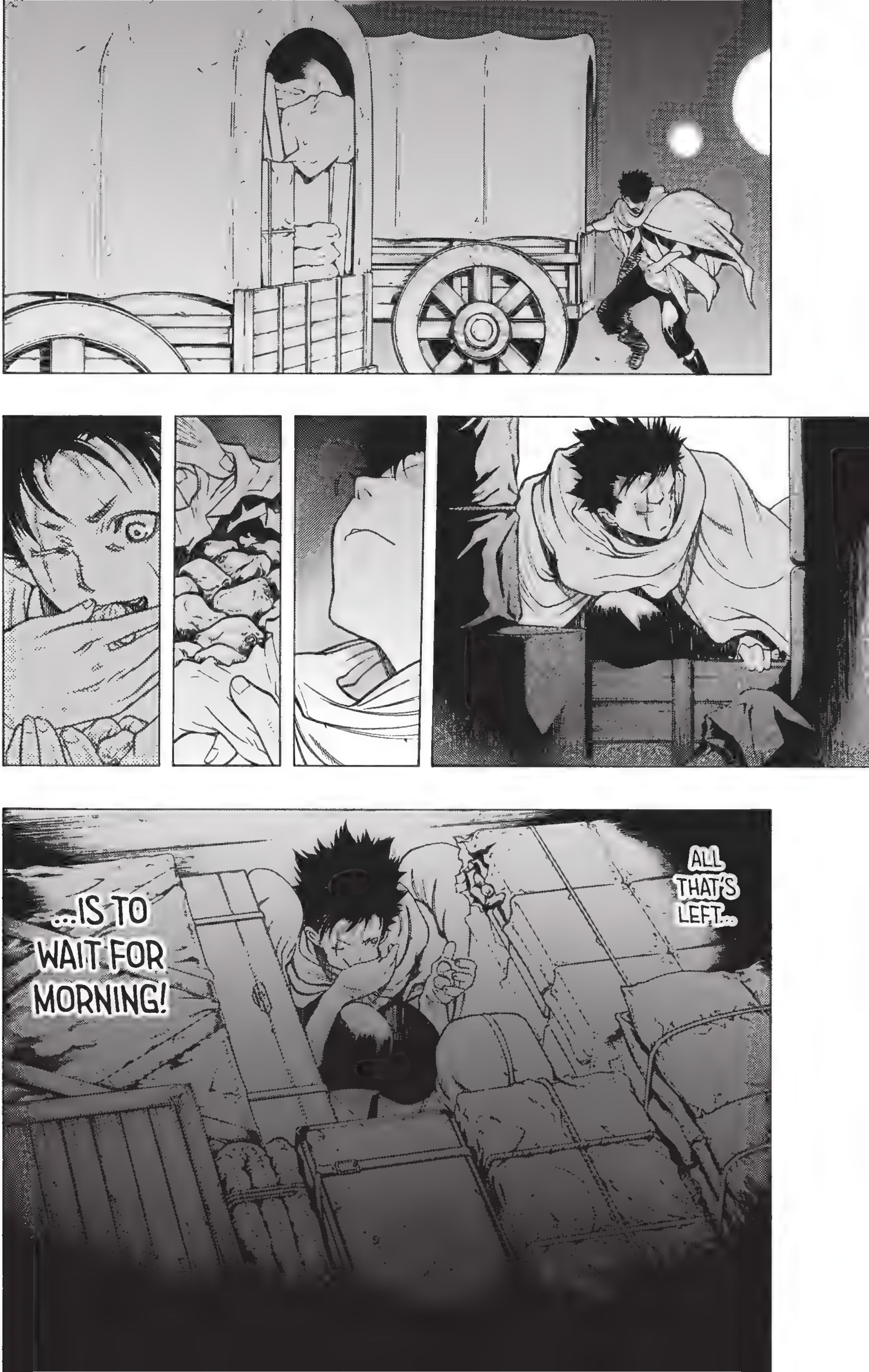
KAKLAK






I WILL... SEE ONE!
I MUST...! SEE ONE!


...A TITAN!!!


ALL THAT'S LEFT...
...IS TO WAIT FOR MORNING!

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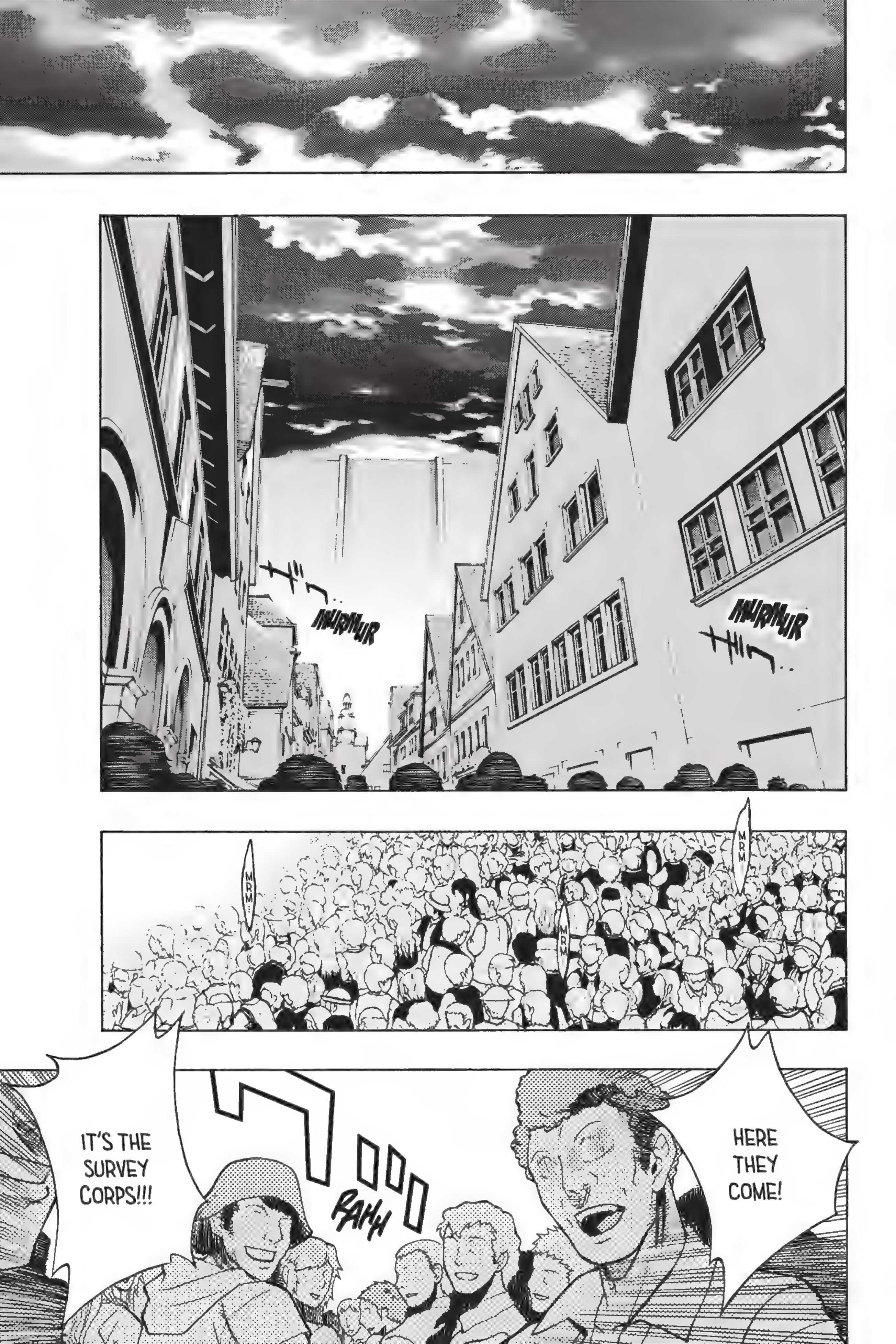
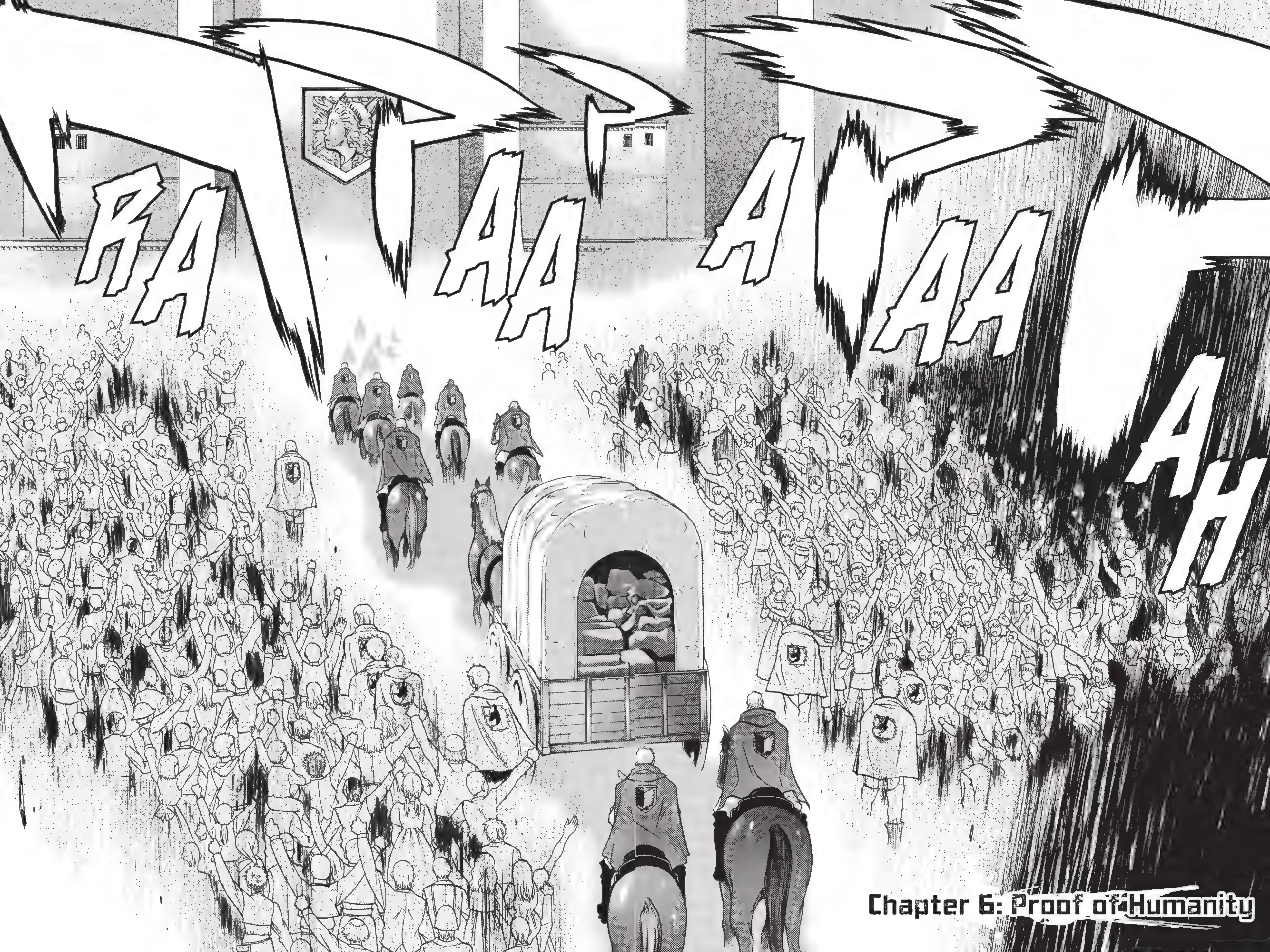
ATTACK
on TITAN
BEFORE THE FALL


MURMUR
MURMUR
MRM...
MRM
MRM...
HERE THEY COME!
RAHH
IT'S THE SURVEY CORPS!!!


RAAAAAAAAH

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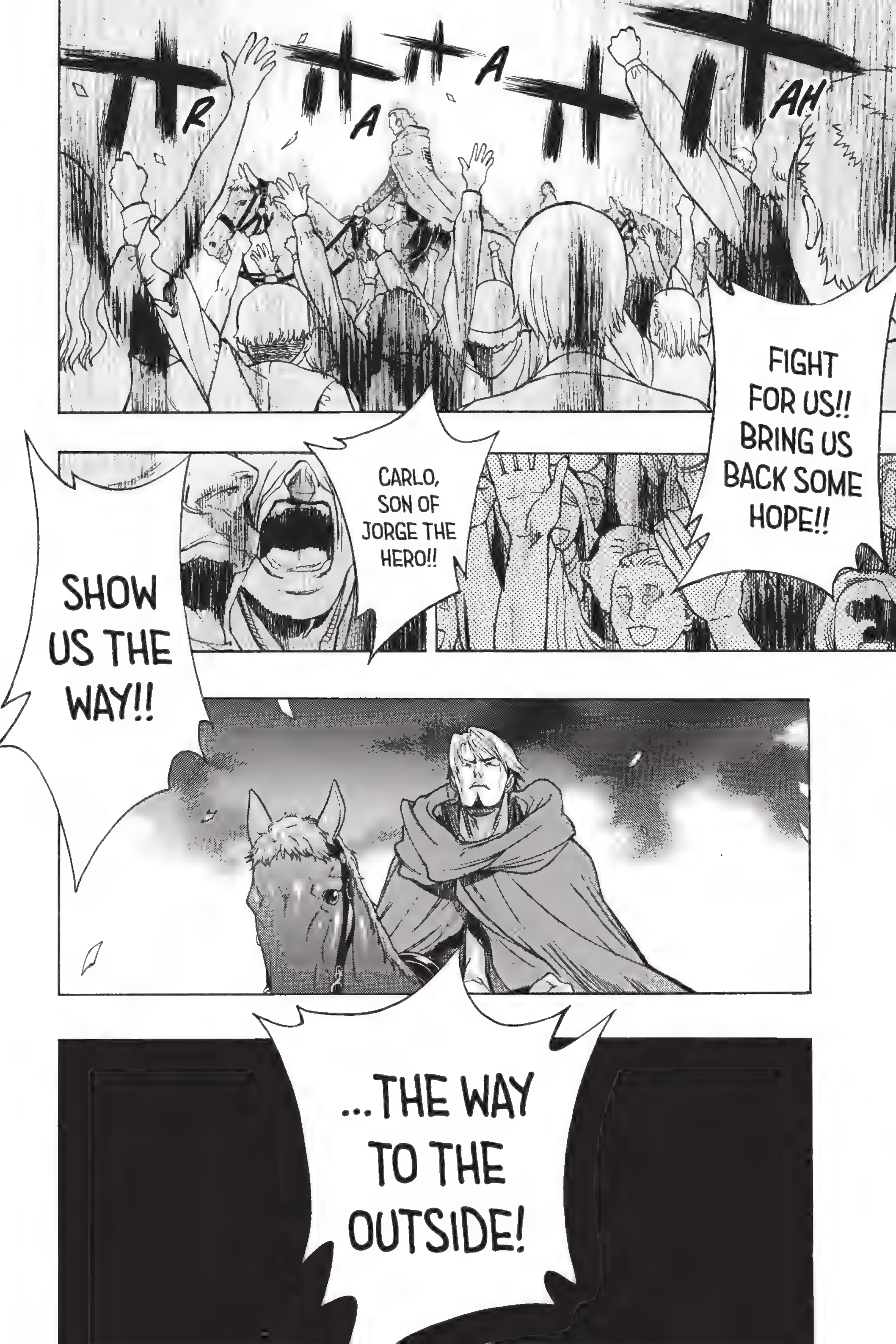
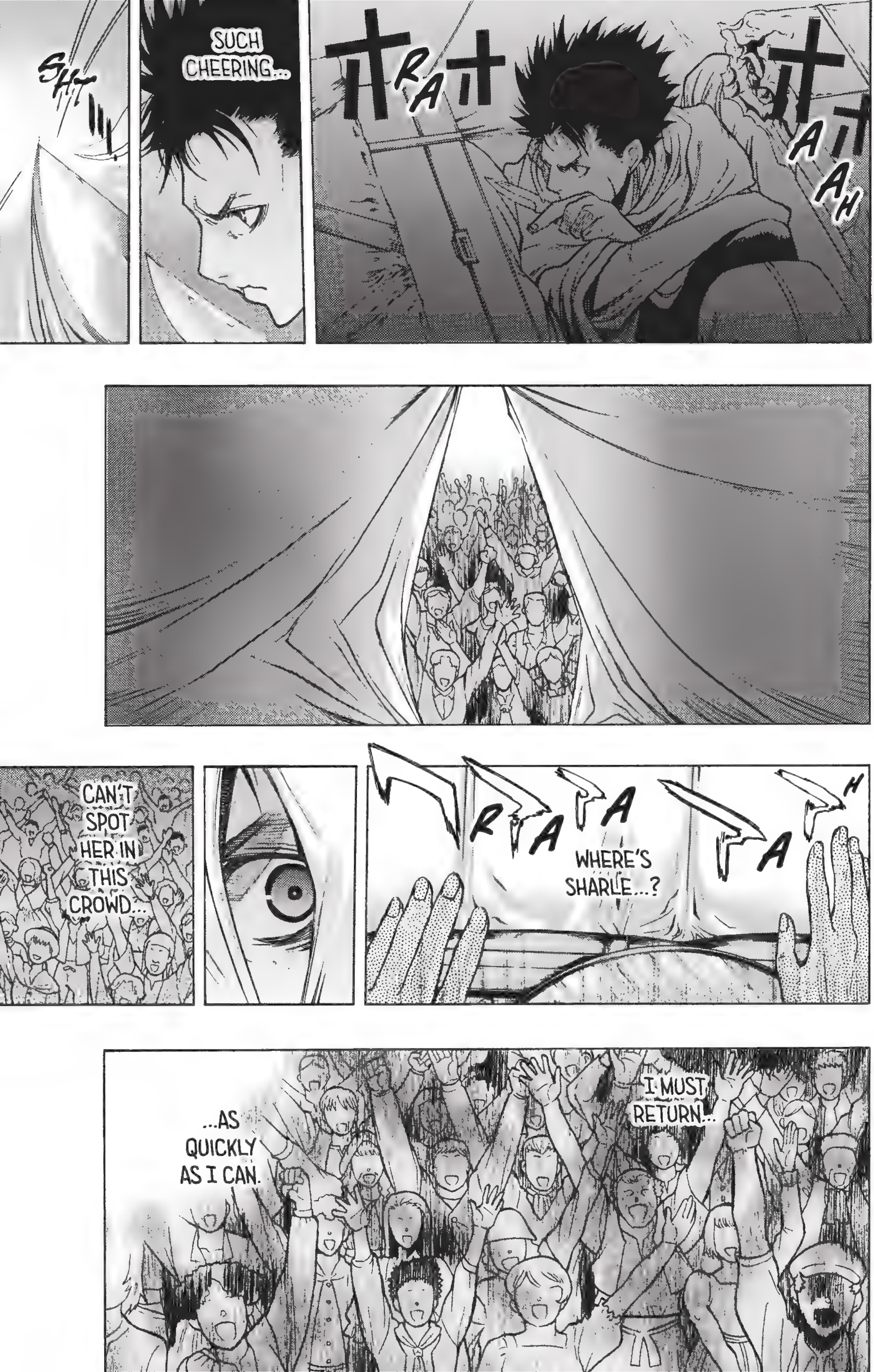
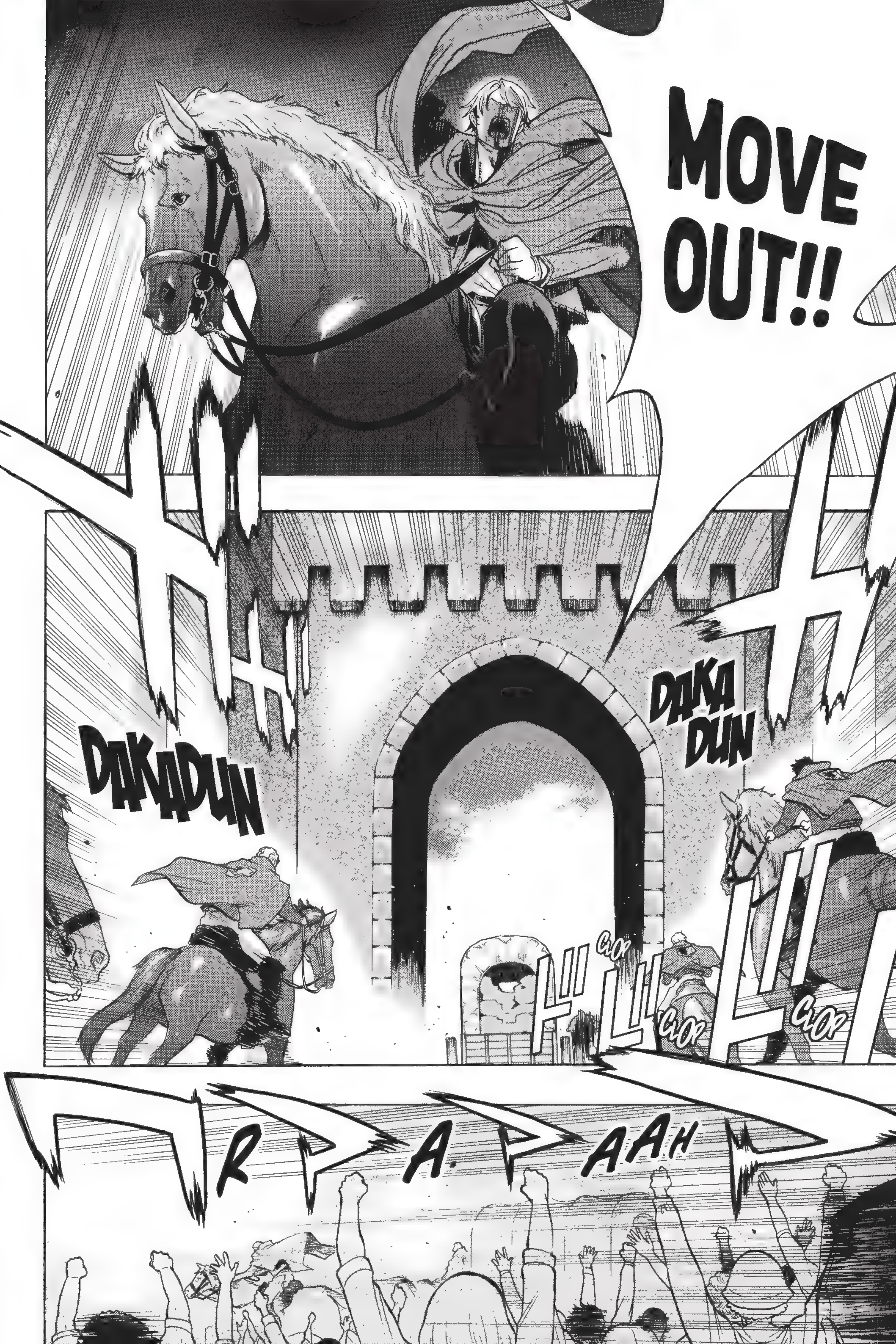
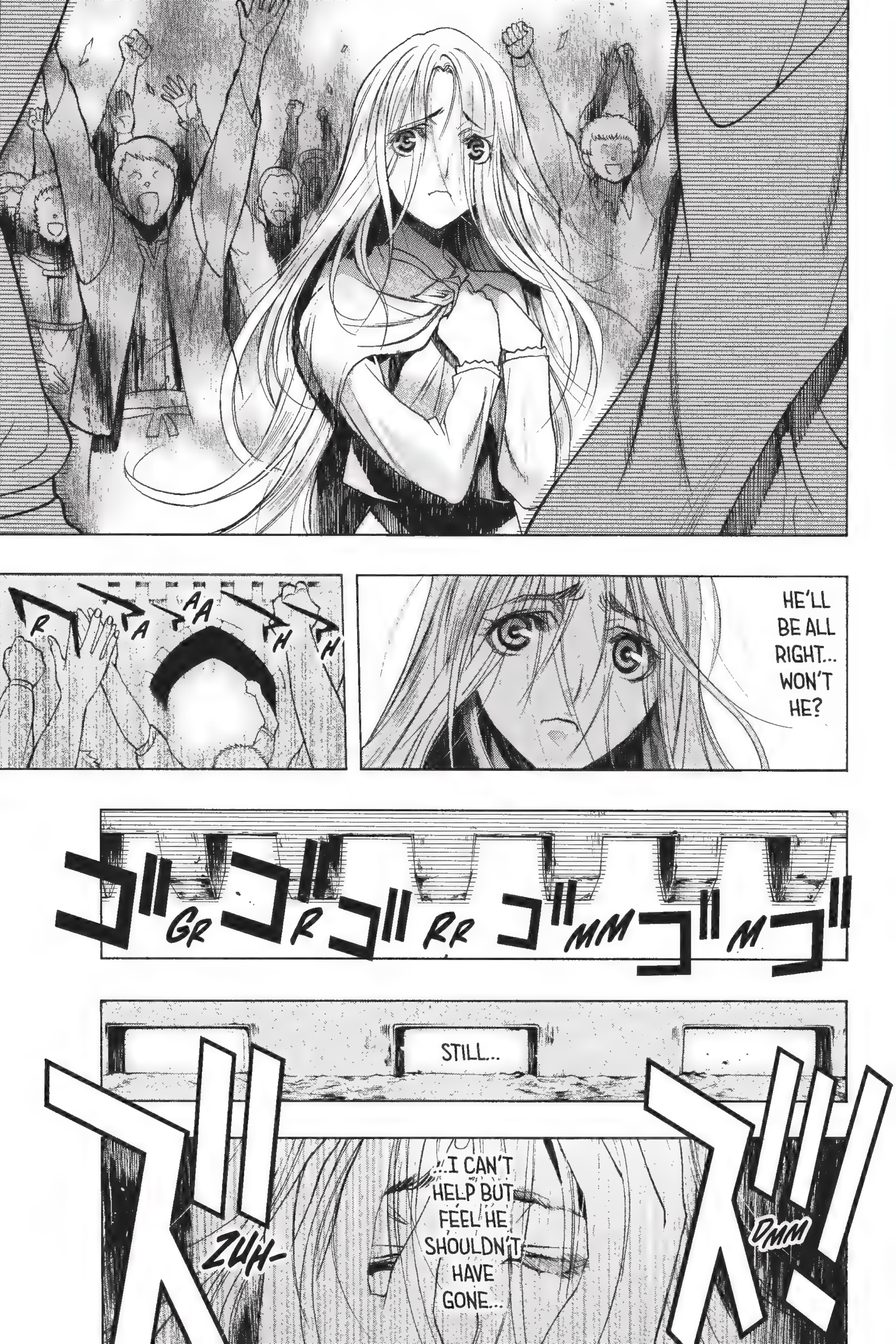
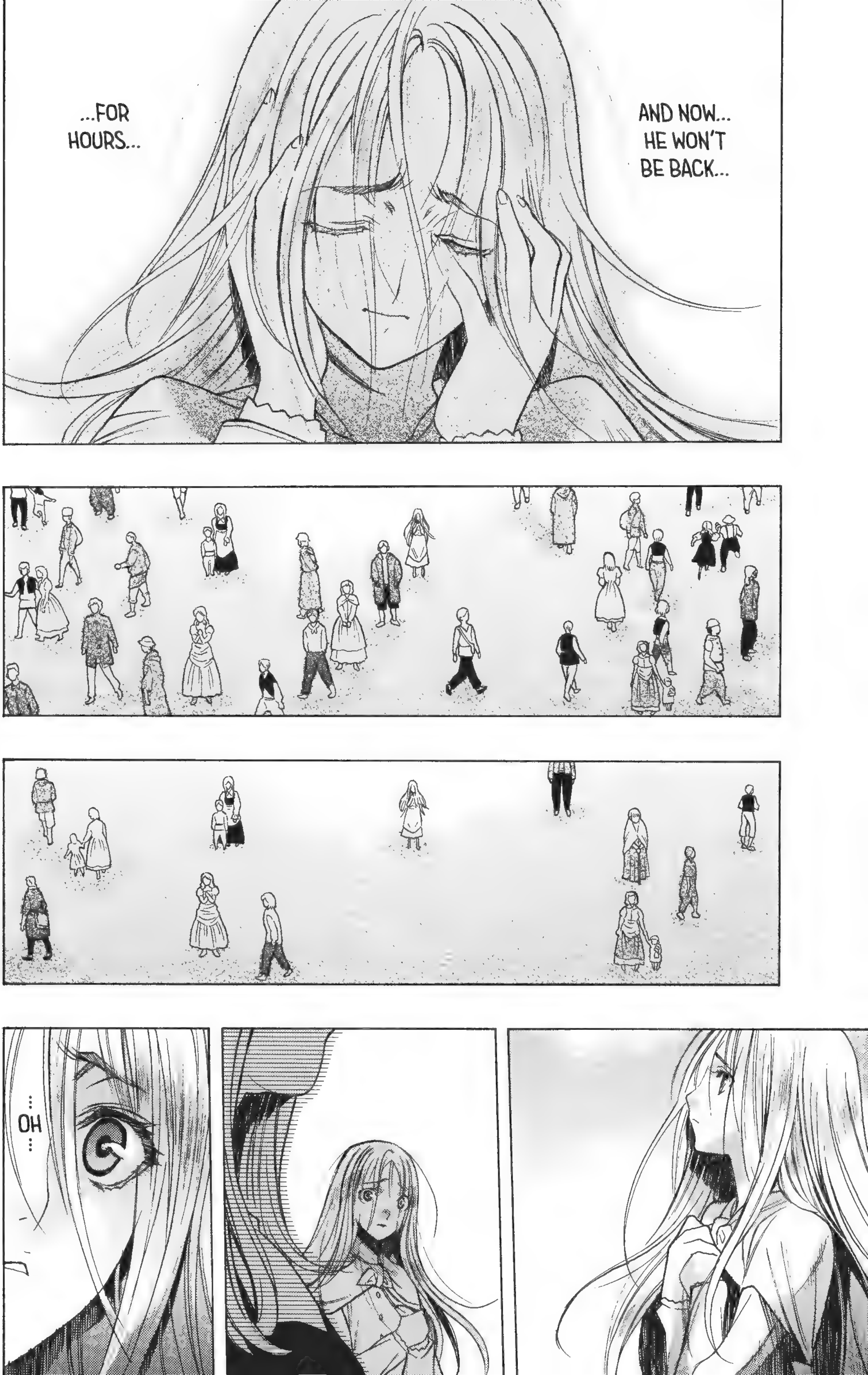
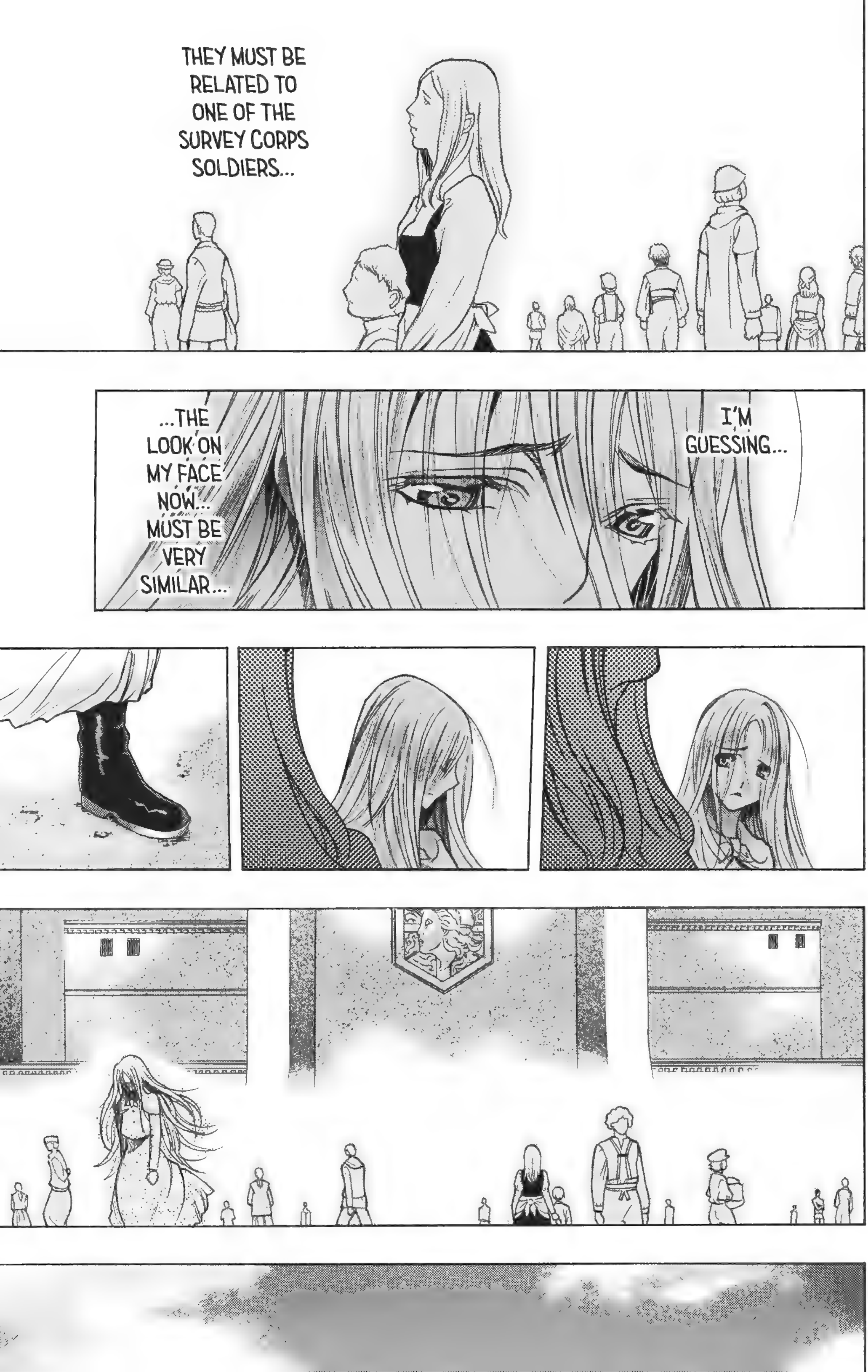

RAAAAH
FIGHT FOR US!! BRING US BACK SOME HOPE!!
CARLO, SON OF JORGE THE HERO!!
SHOW US THE WAY!!
...THE WAY TO THE OUTSIDE!

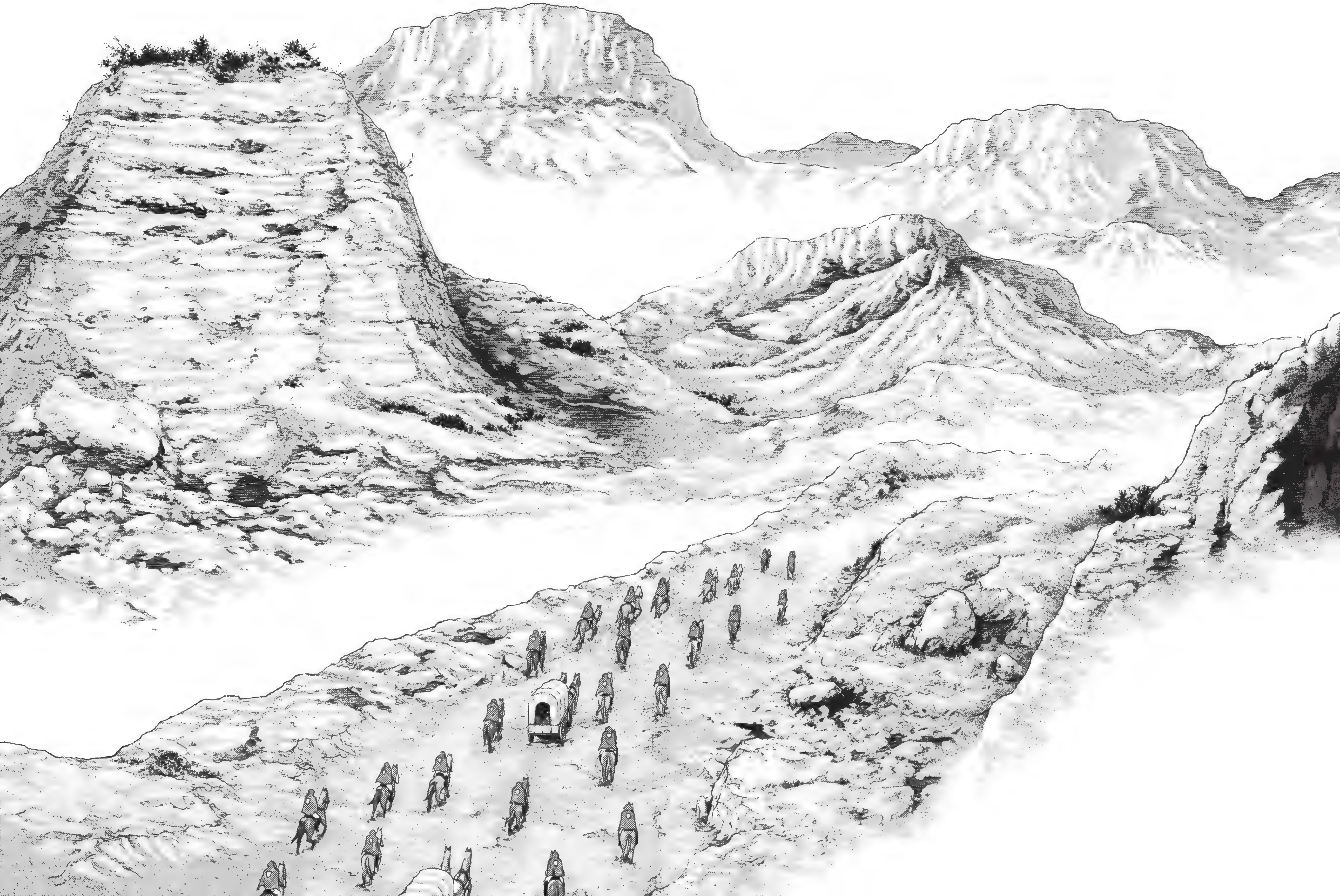

ホ RA ホ
ホ A ホ AH
SUCH CHEERING...
SHT
RAAAAH
WHERE'S SHARLE...?
CAN'T SPOT HER IN THIS CROWD...
I MUST RETURN...
...AS QUICKLY AS I CAN.

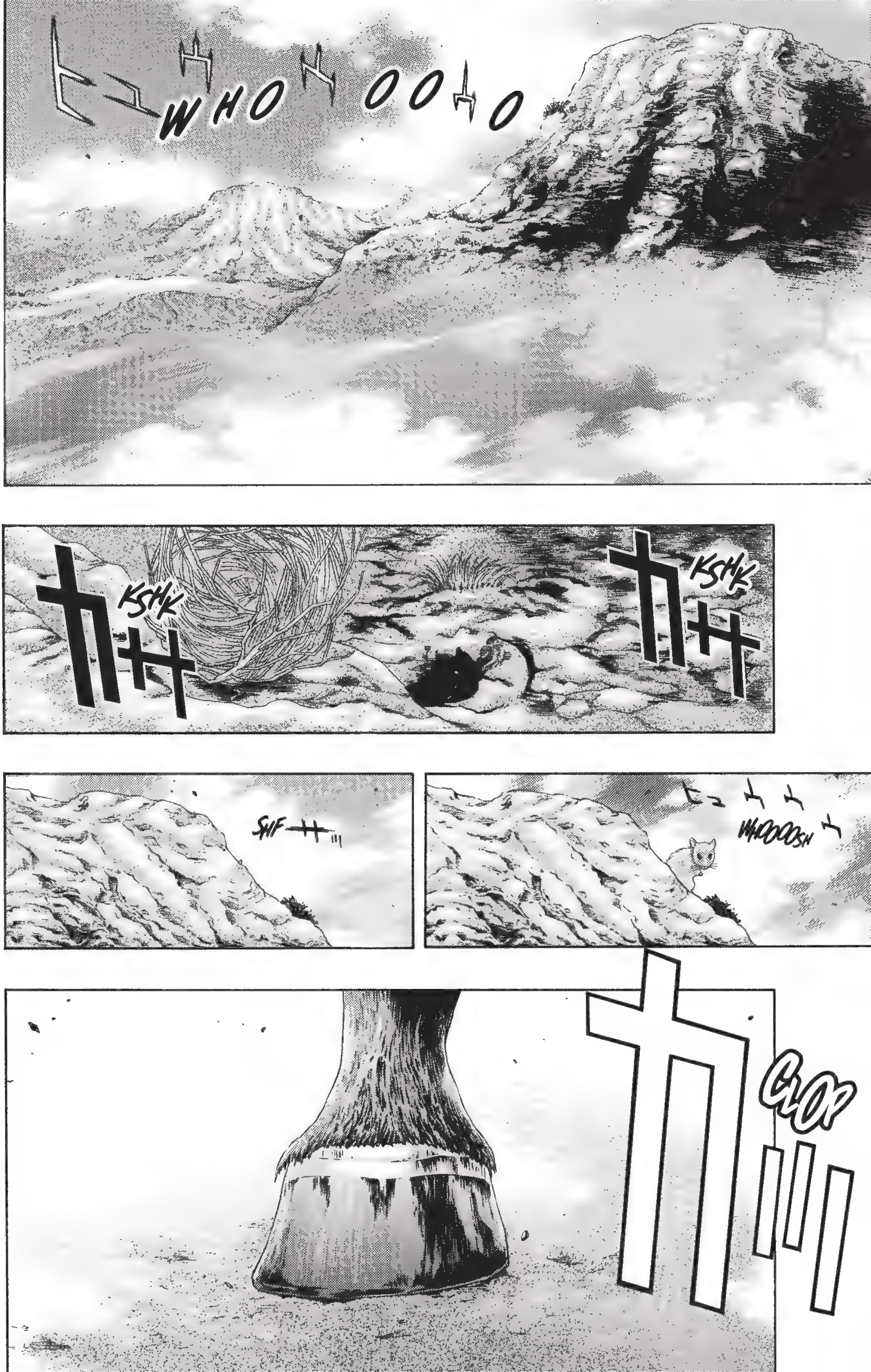

MOVE OUT!!
DAKA DUN
CLOP
CLOP
CLOP
DAKADUN
R A AAH

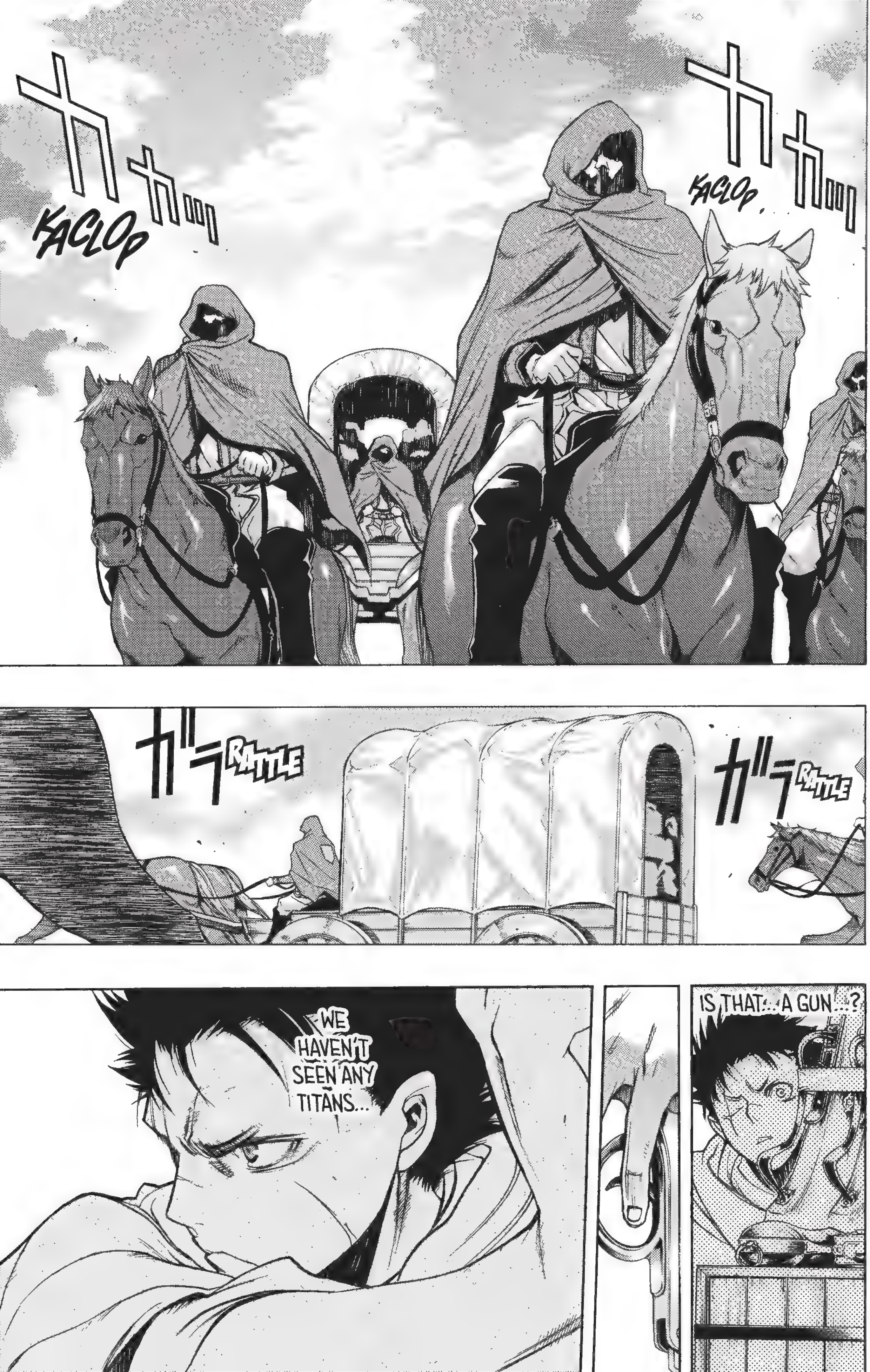

HE'LL BE ALL RIGHT... WON'T HE?
RAAAAHH
ゴゴゴゴゴゴ
GRRRRMMM
STILL...
...I CAN'T HELP BUT FEEL HE SHOULDN'T HAVE GONE...
ズ
DMM
ズ
ZUH-

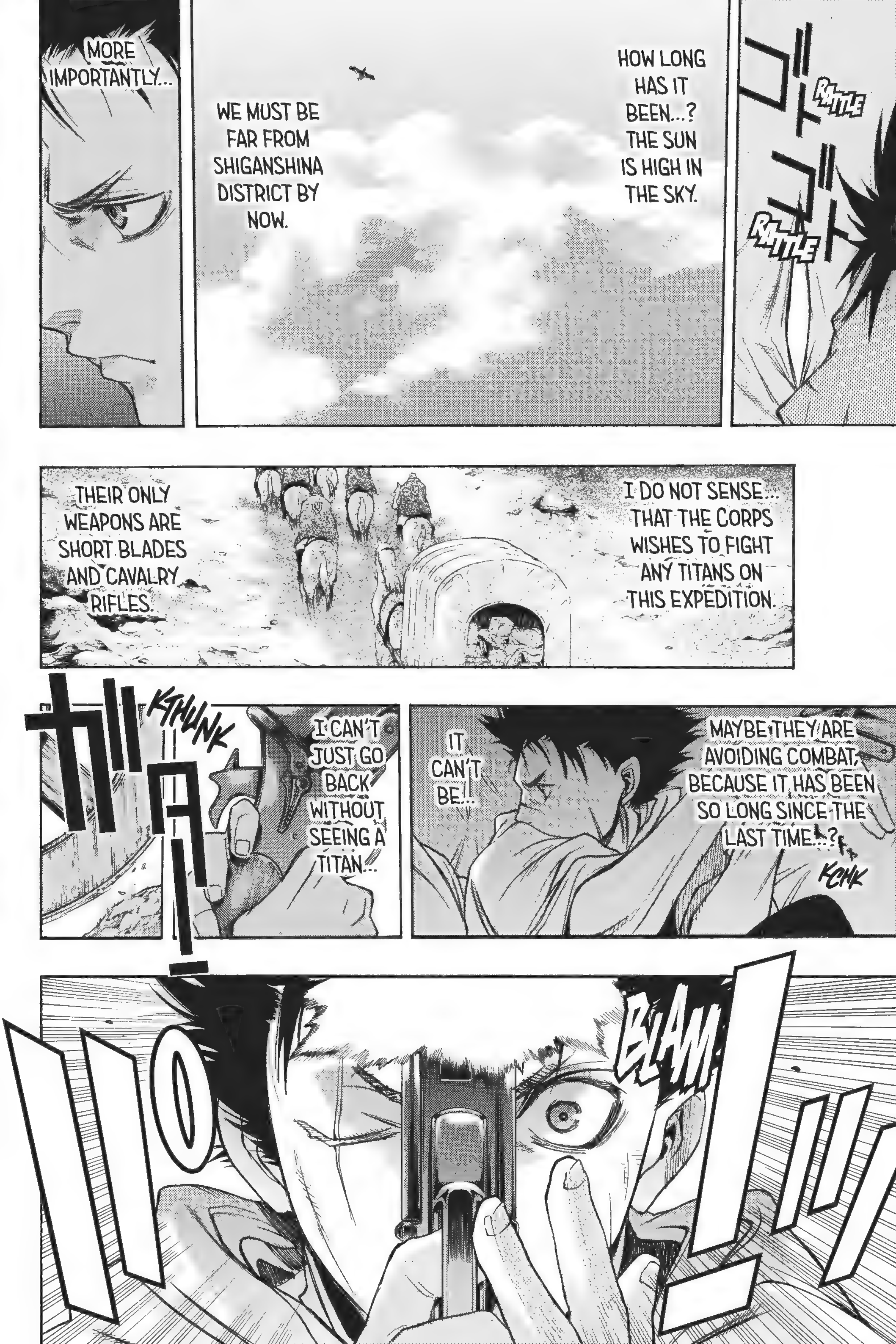

...FOR HOURS...
AND NOW... HE WON'T BE BACK...
...OH...

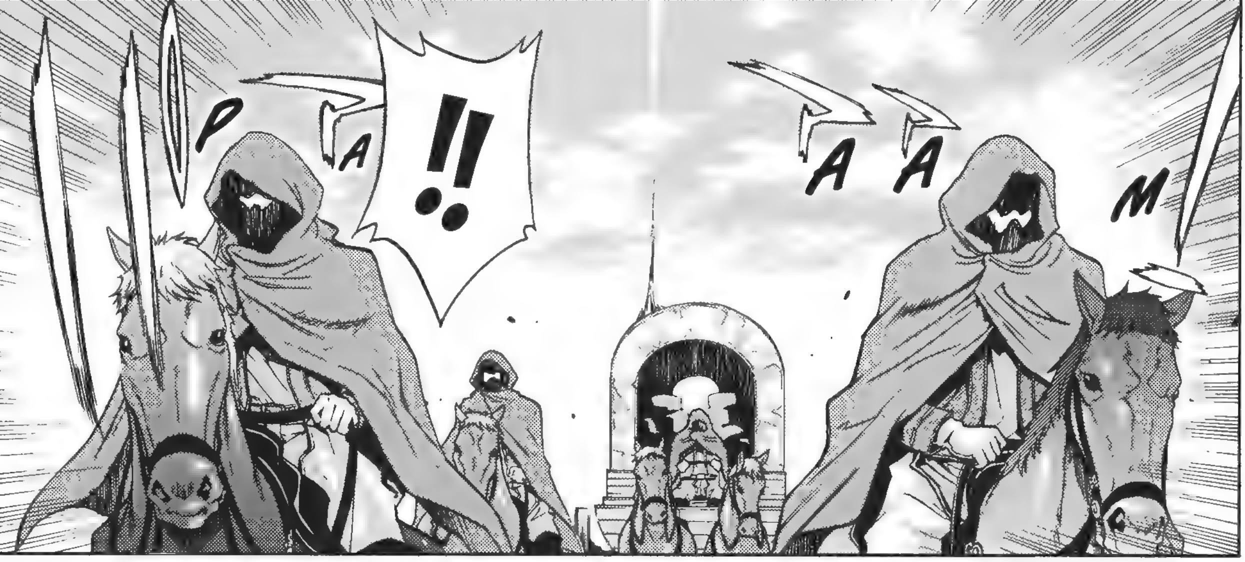

THEY MUST BE RELATED TO ONE OF THE SURVEY CORPS SOLDIERS...
I'M GUESSING...
...THE LOOK ON MY FACE NOW... MUST BE VERY SIMILAR...

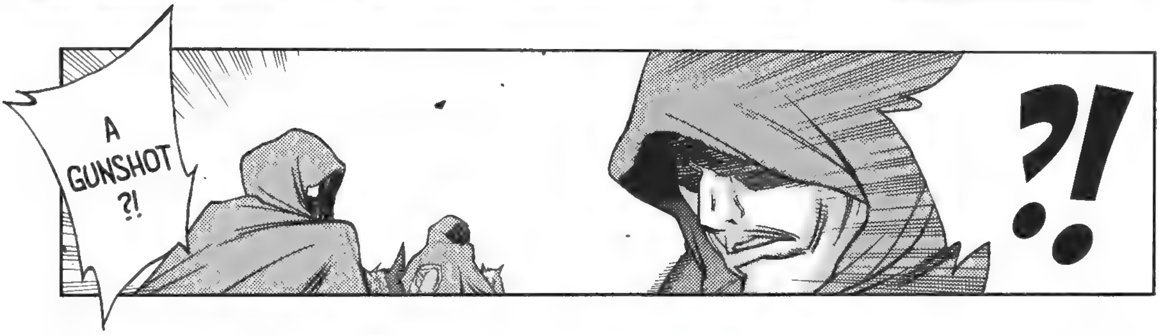


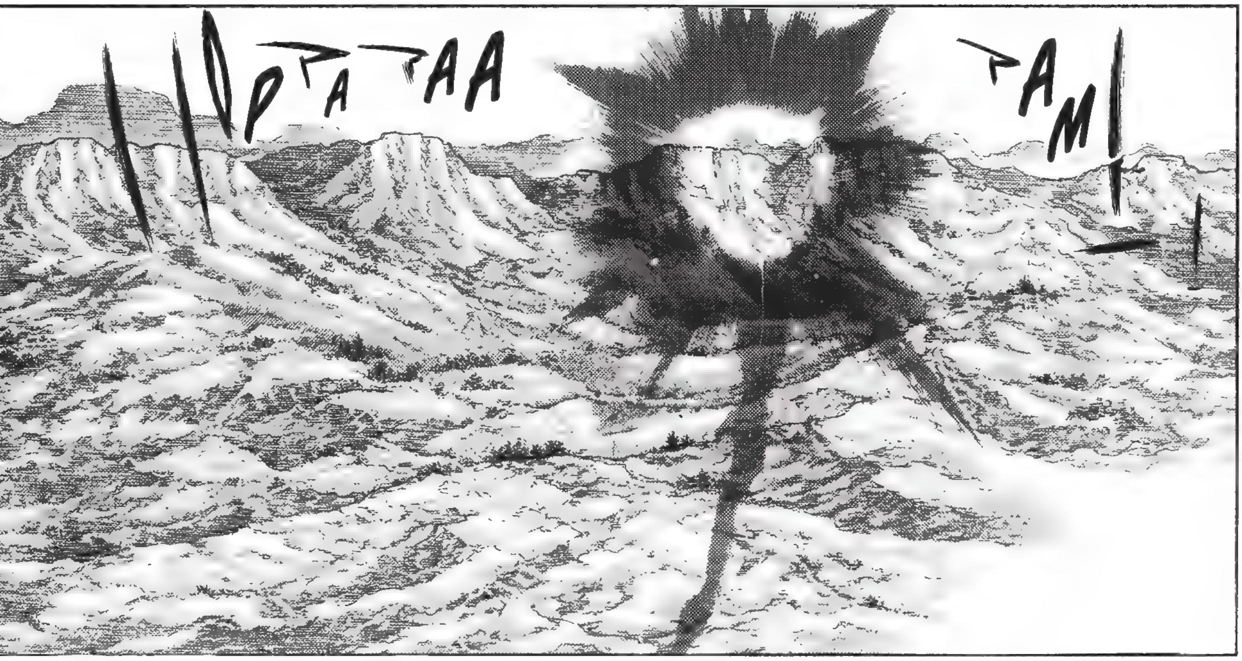

ヒュオオオ
WHOOOO
カサ
KSHK
カサ
KSHK
ヒュオオオ
WHOOOOSH
ササ
SHF
カッ
CLOP

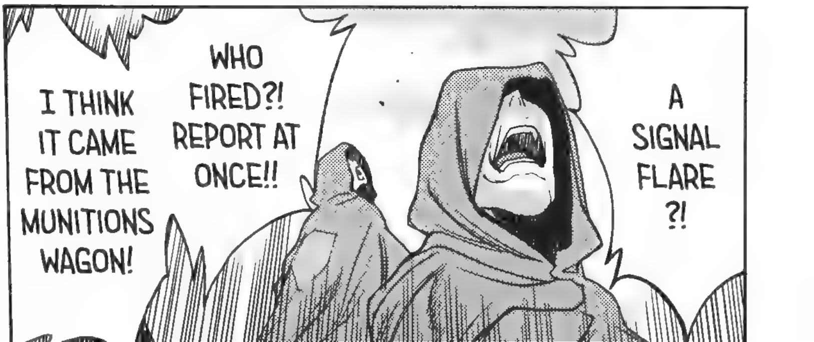

カカッ
KACLOP
カカッ
KACLOP
ガラ
RATTLE
ガラ
RATTLE
IS THAT... A GUN...?
WE HAVEN'T SEEN ANY TITANS...

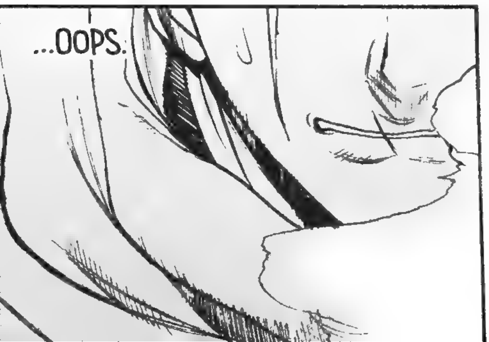

ゴトゴト
RATTLE
RATTLE
HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN...? THE SUN IS HIGH IN THE SKY.
WE MUST BE FAR FROM SHIGANSHINA DISTRICT BY NOW.
MORE IMPORTANTLY...
I DO NOT SENSE... THAT THE CORPS WISHES TO FIGHT ANY TITANS ON THIS EXPEDITION.
THEIR ONLY WEAPONS ARE SHORT BLADES AND CAVALRY RIFLES.
MAYBE THEY ARE AVOIDING COMBAT, BECAUSE IT HAS BEEN SO LONG SINCE THE LAST TIME...?
KCHK
IT CAN'T BE...!
I CAN'T JUST GO BACK WITHOUT SEEING A TITAN...
KTHUNK
BLAM

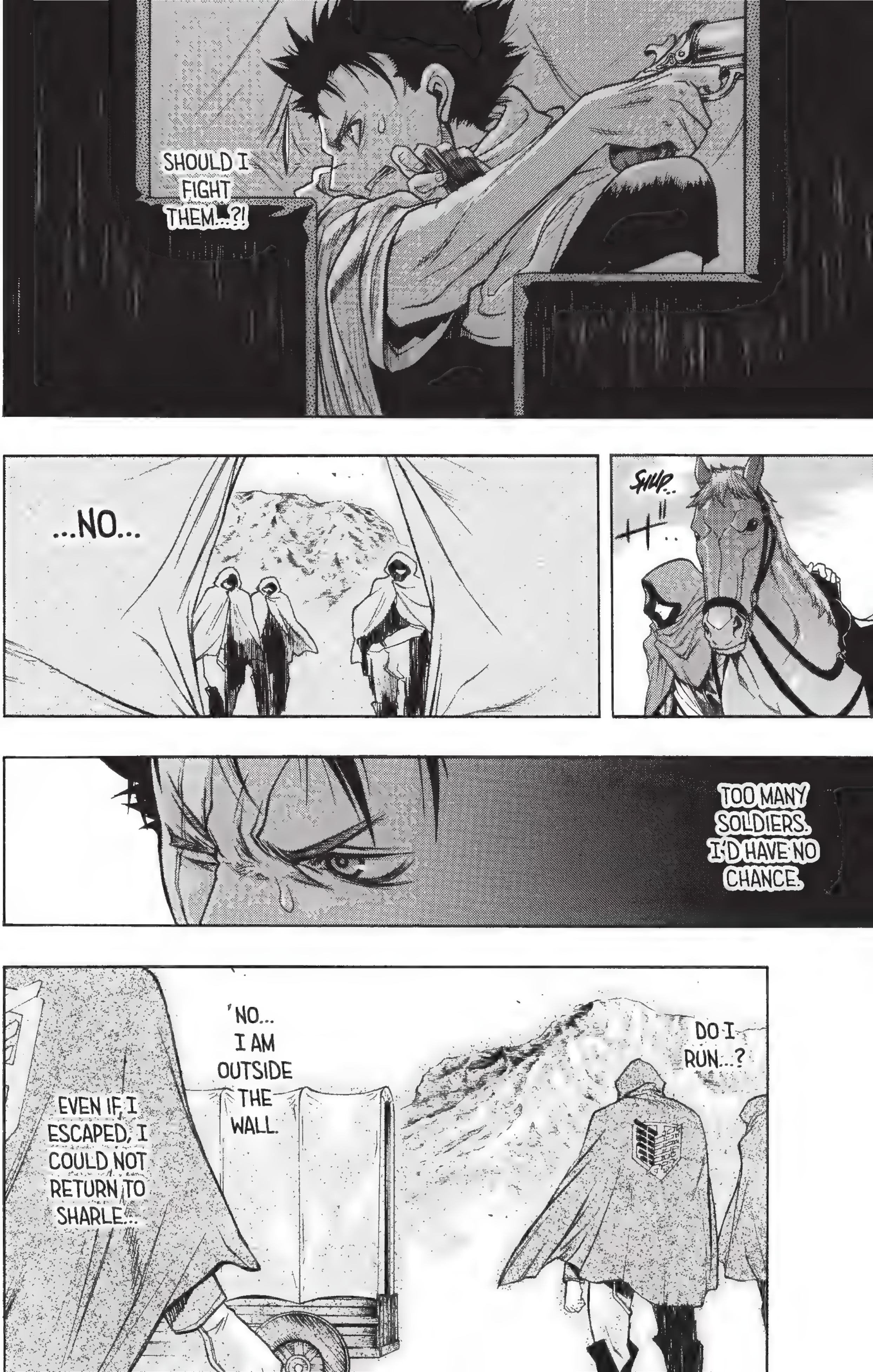

PA
!!
AAM

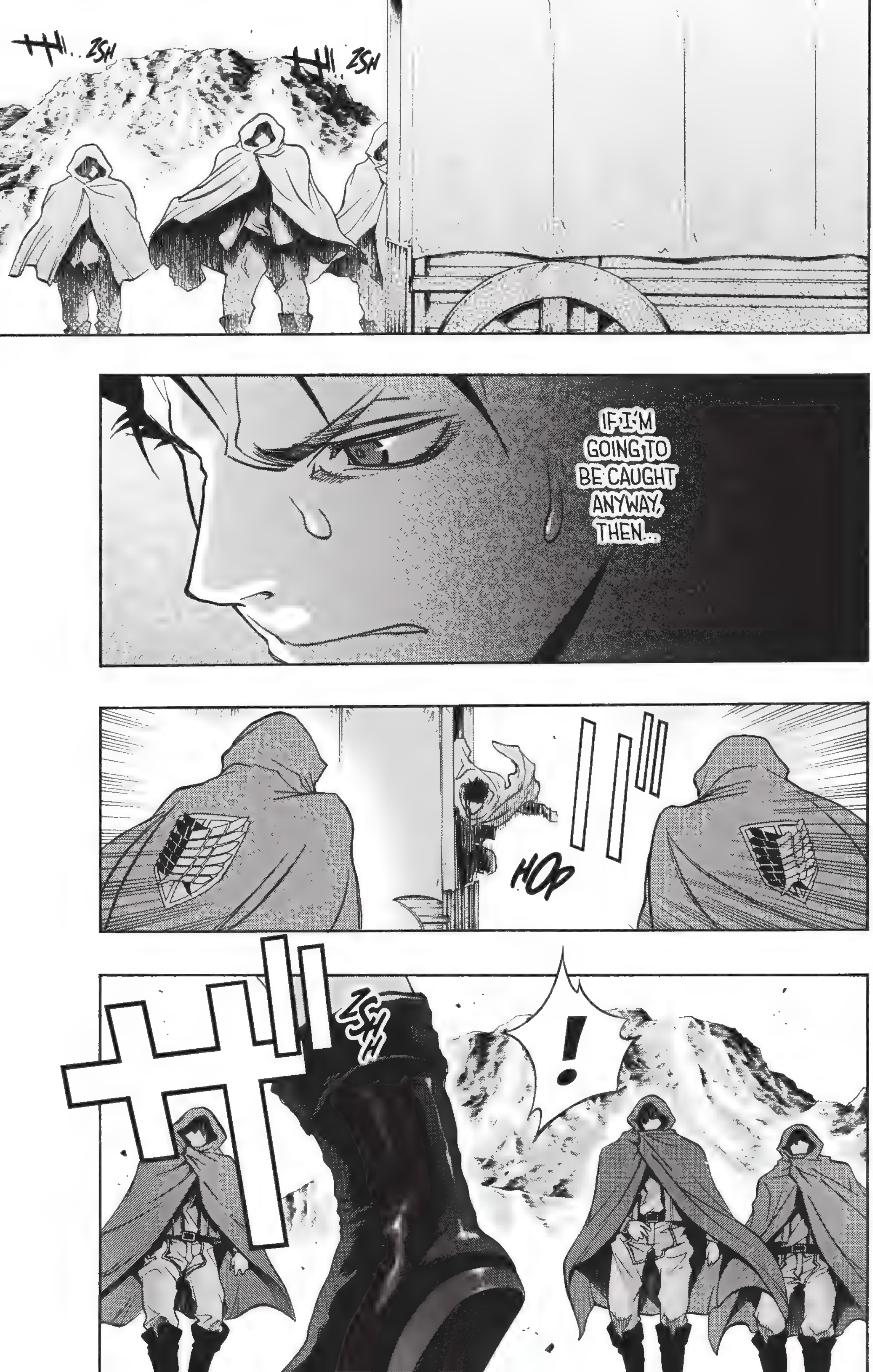

?!
A GUNSHOT ?!

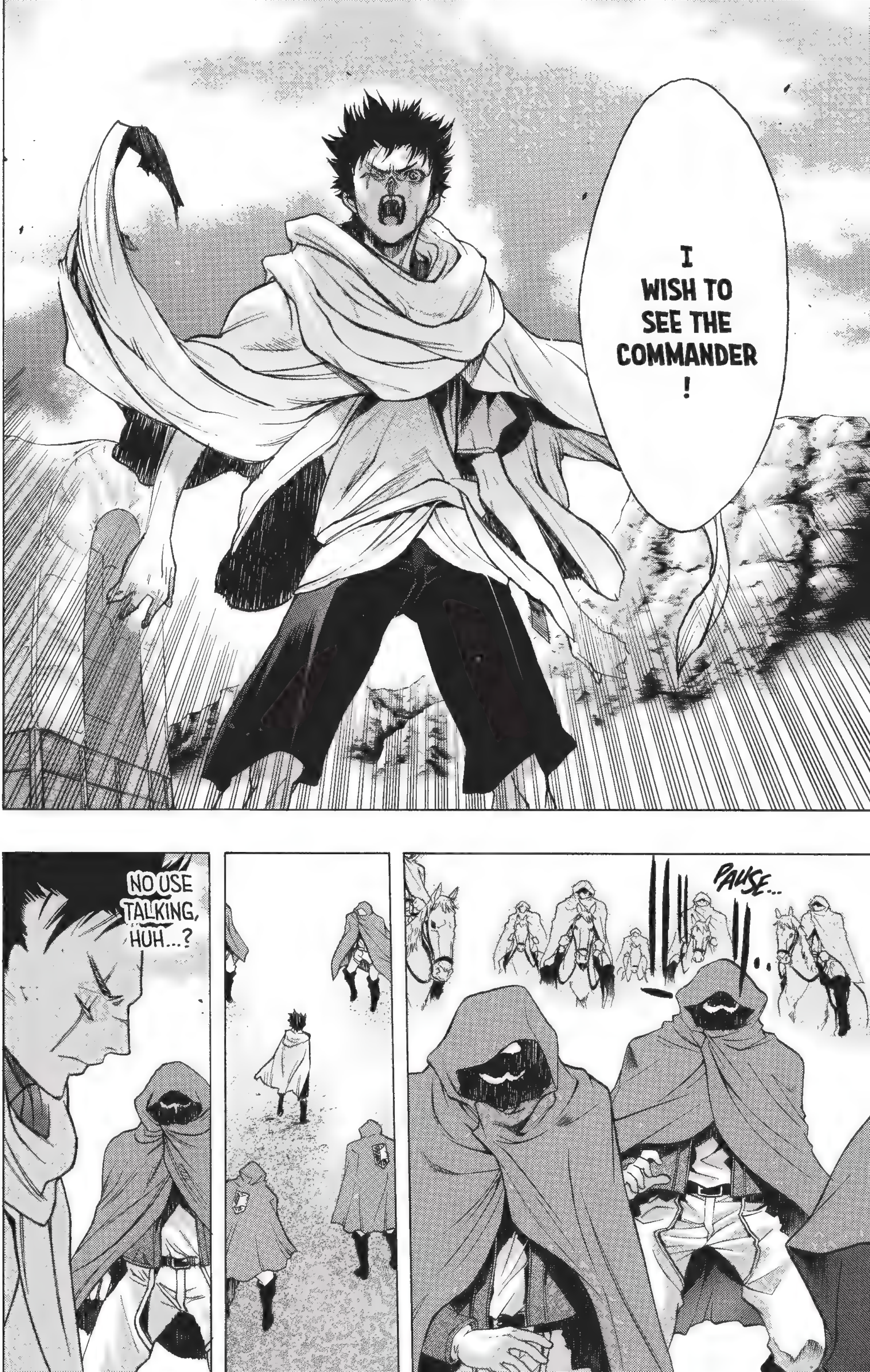

PAAA
AM

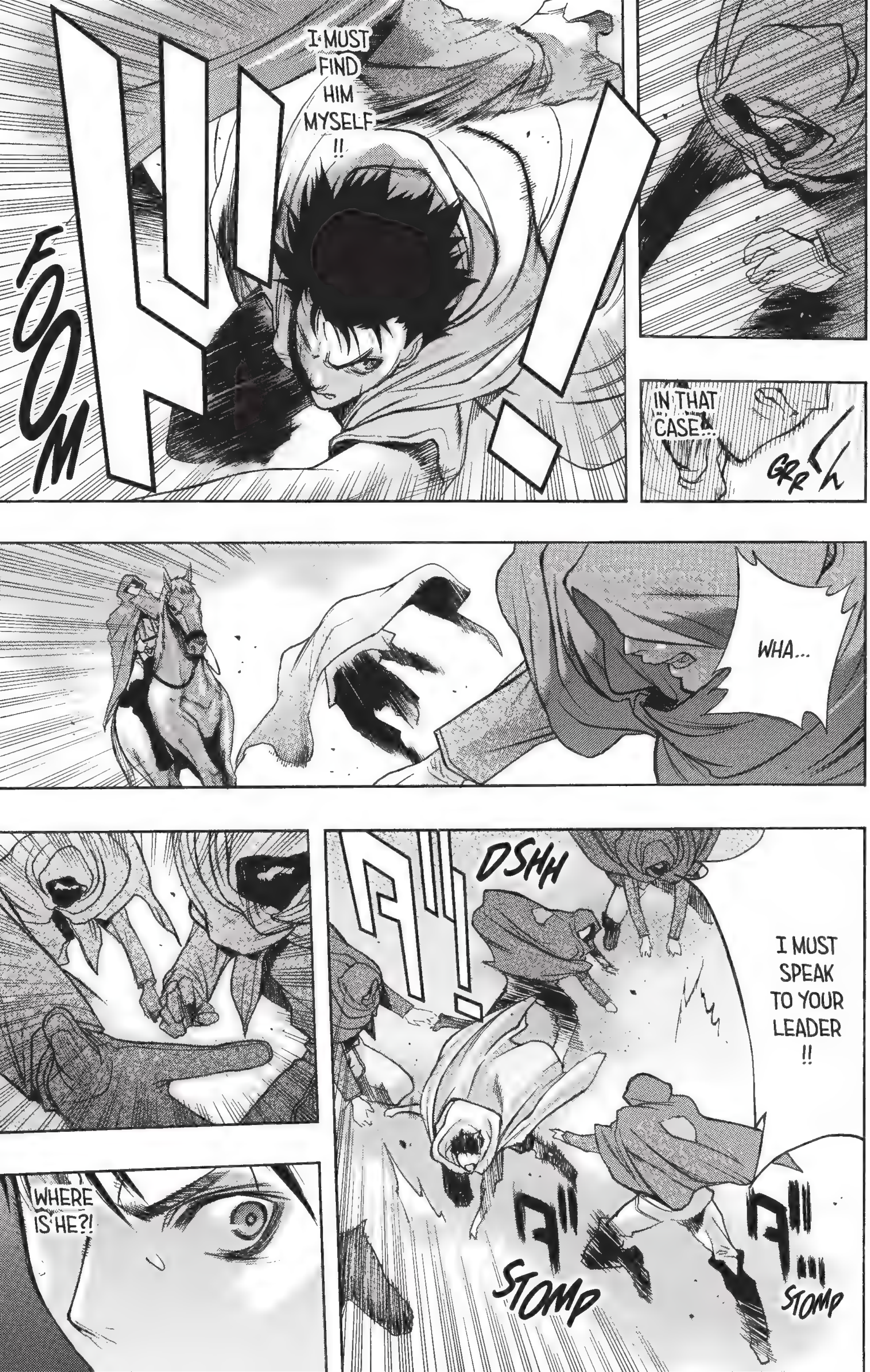

A SIGNAL FLARE ?!
WHO FIRED?! REPORT AT ONCE!!
I THINK IT CAME FROM THE MUNITIONS WAGON!

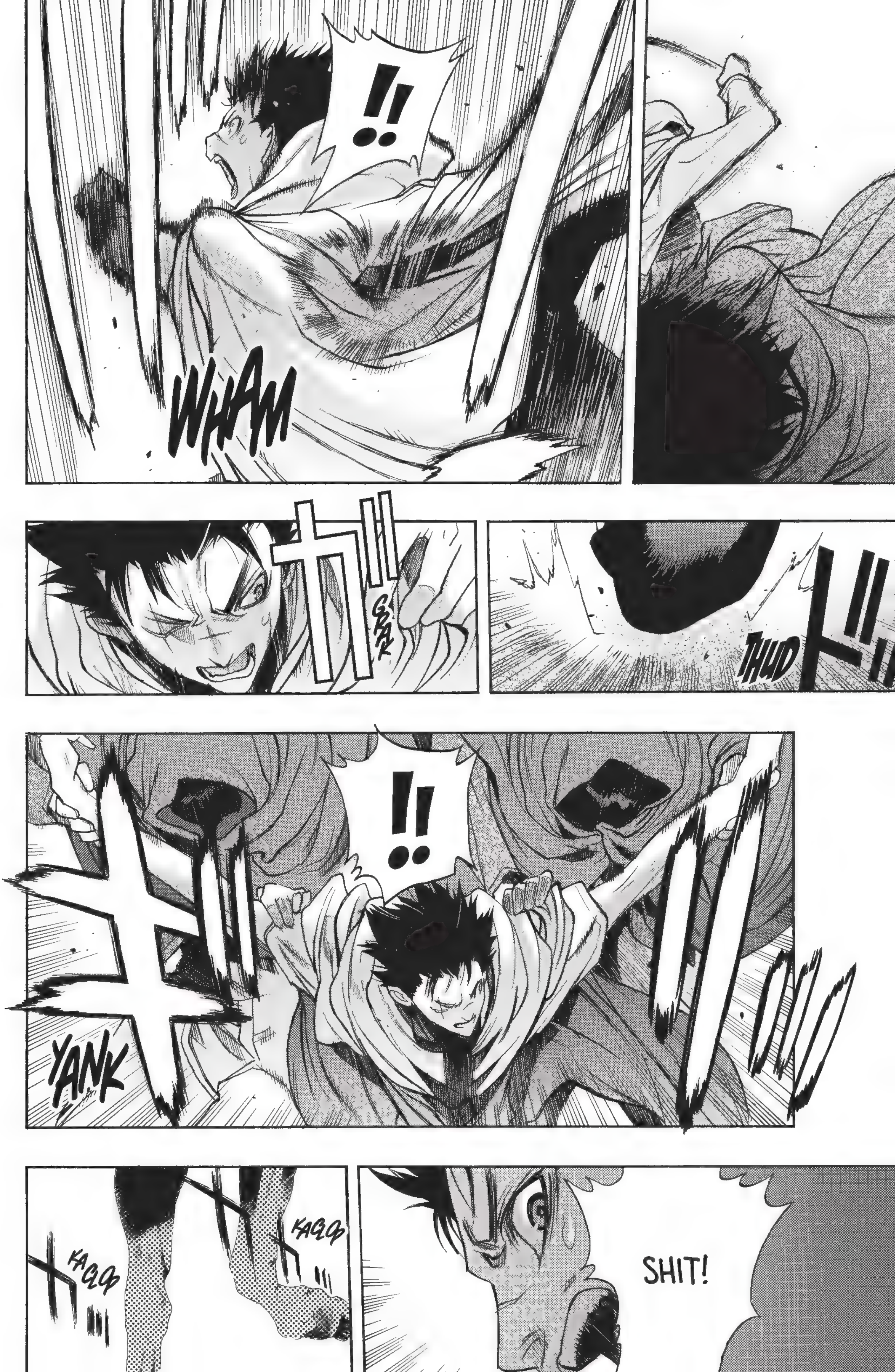

...OOPS.

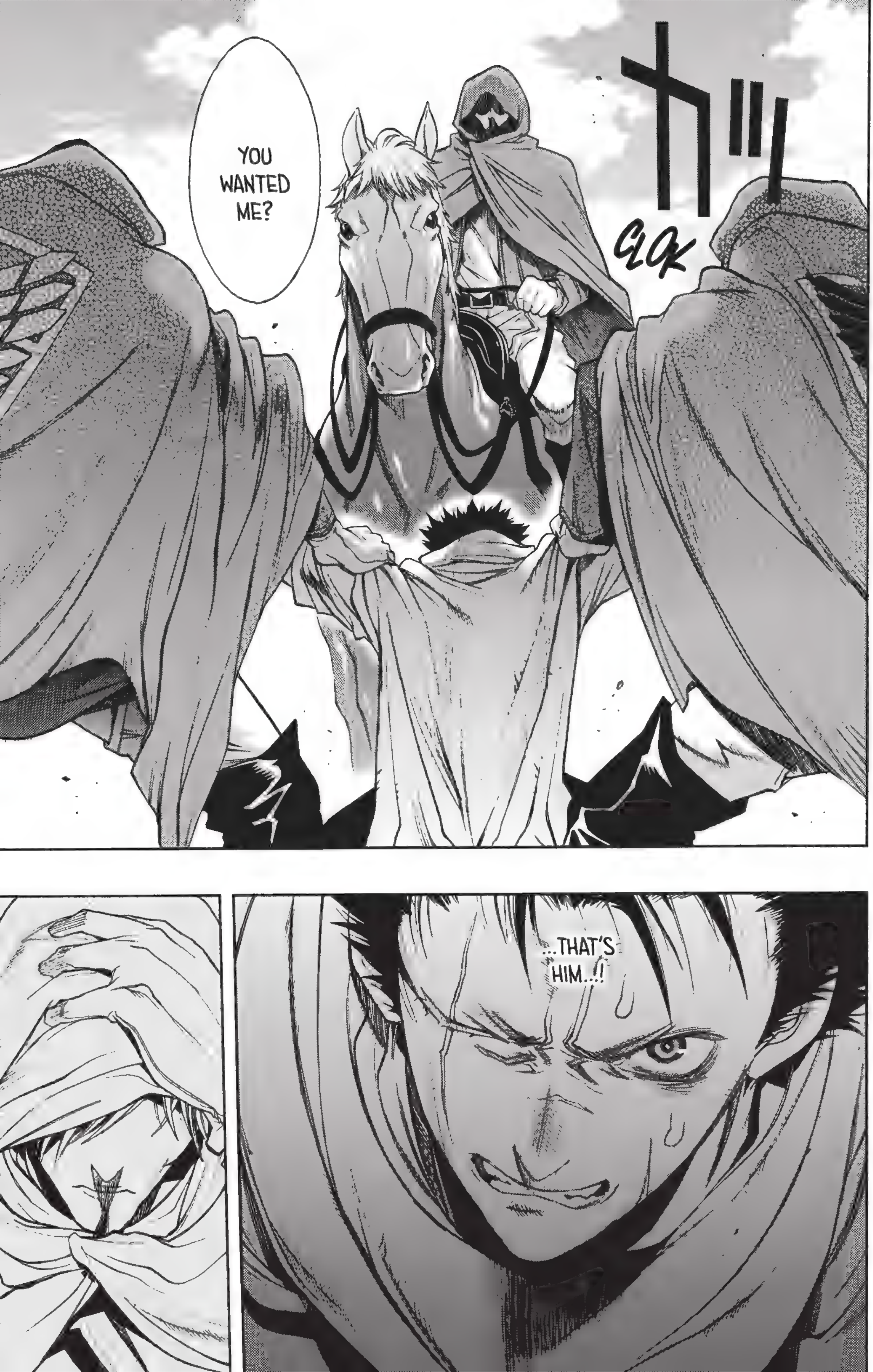

SHOULD I FIGHT THEM...?!
SHUP..
...NO...
TOO MANY SOLDIERS. I'D HAVE NO CHANCE.
DO I RUN...?
NO... I AM OUTSIDE THE WALL.
EVEN IF I ESCAPED, I COULD NOT RETURN TO SHARLE...

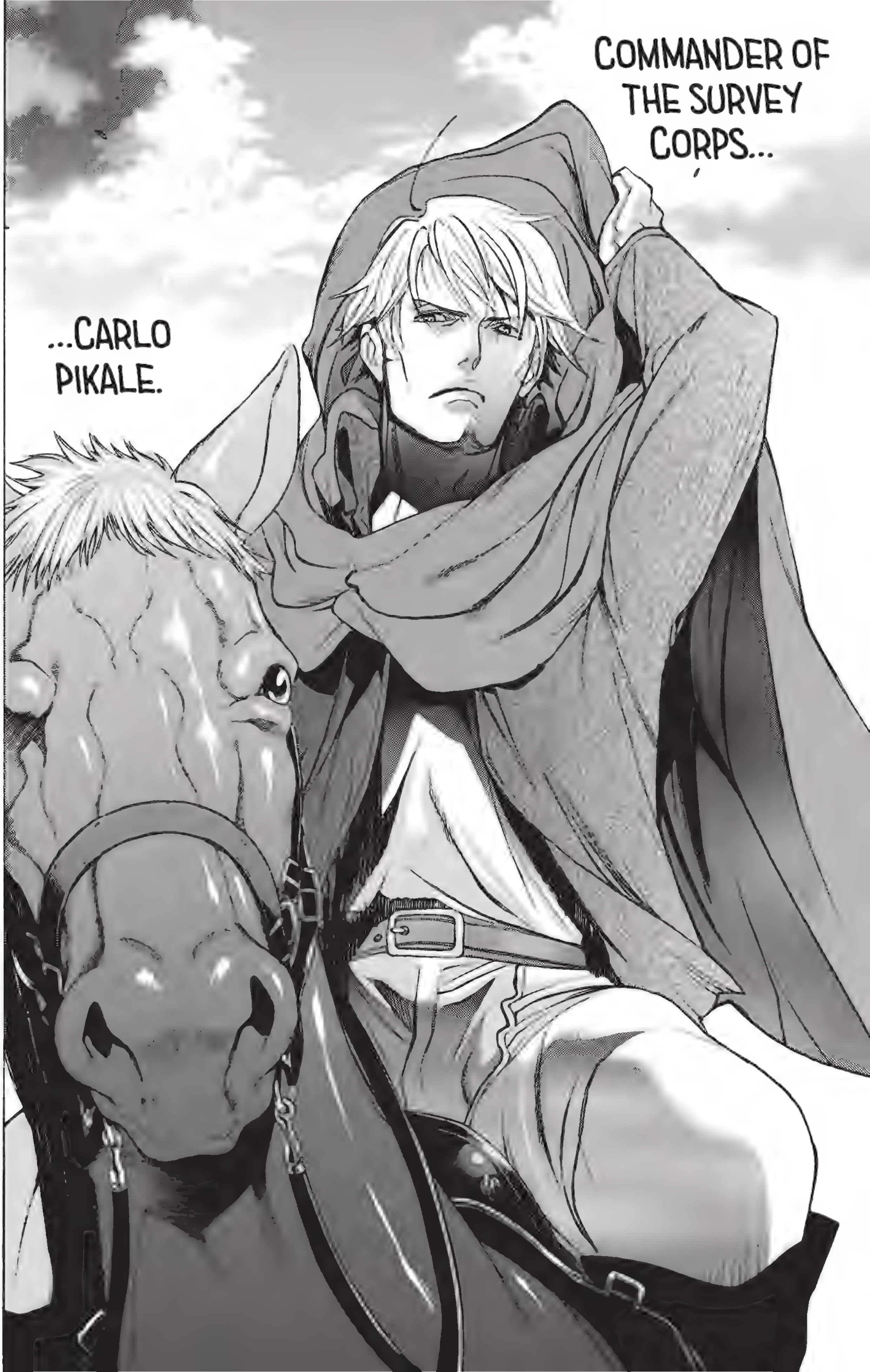

ZSH
ZSH
IF I'M GOING TO BE CAUGHT ANYWAY, THEN...
HOP
ZSH
!

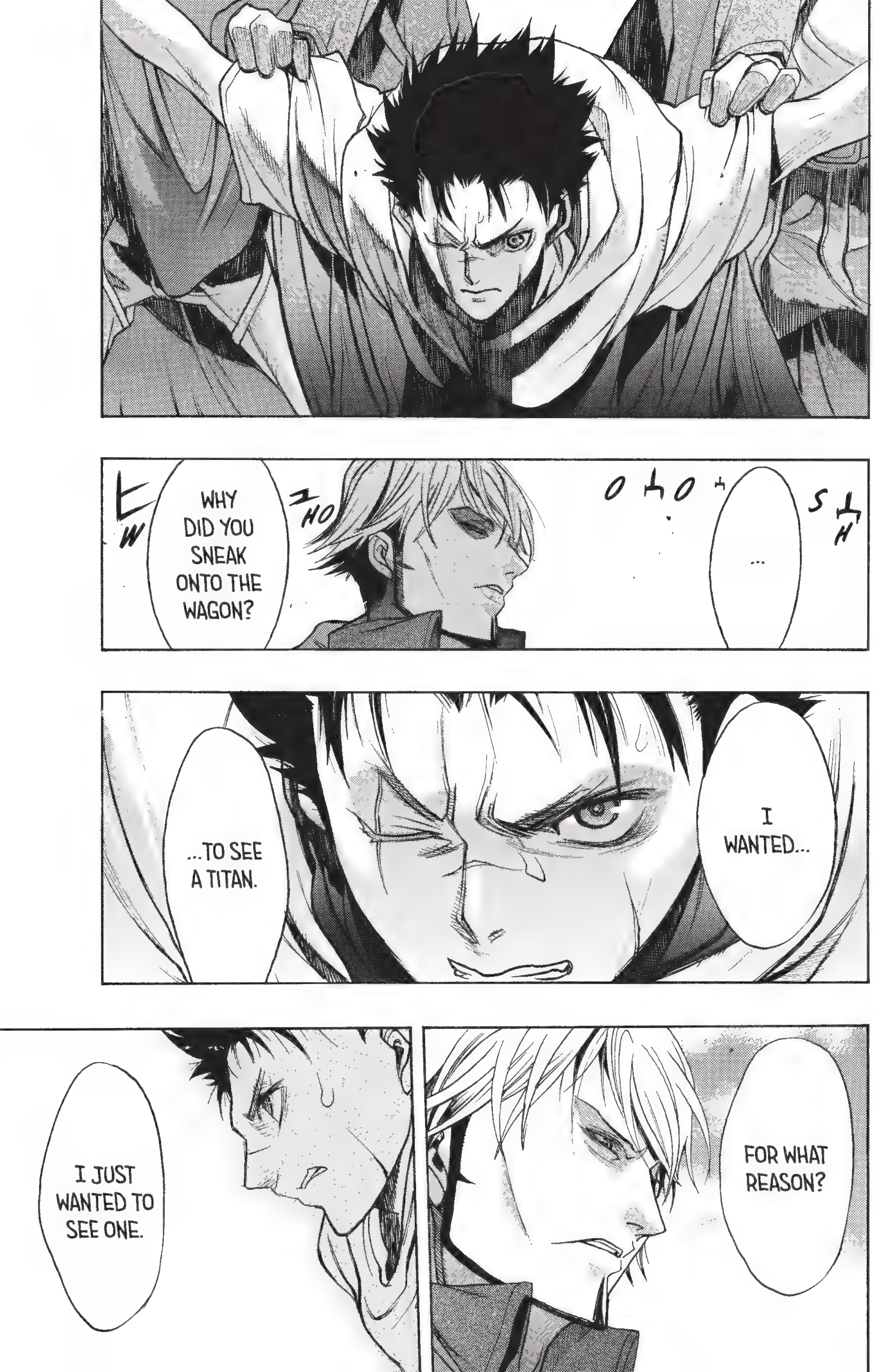

I WISH TO SEE THE COMMANDER!
PAUSE...
!!..
NO USE TALKING, HUH...?

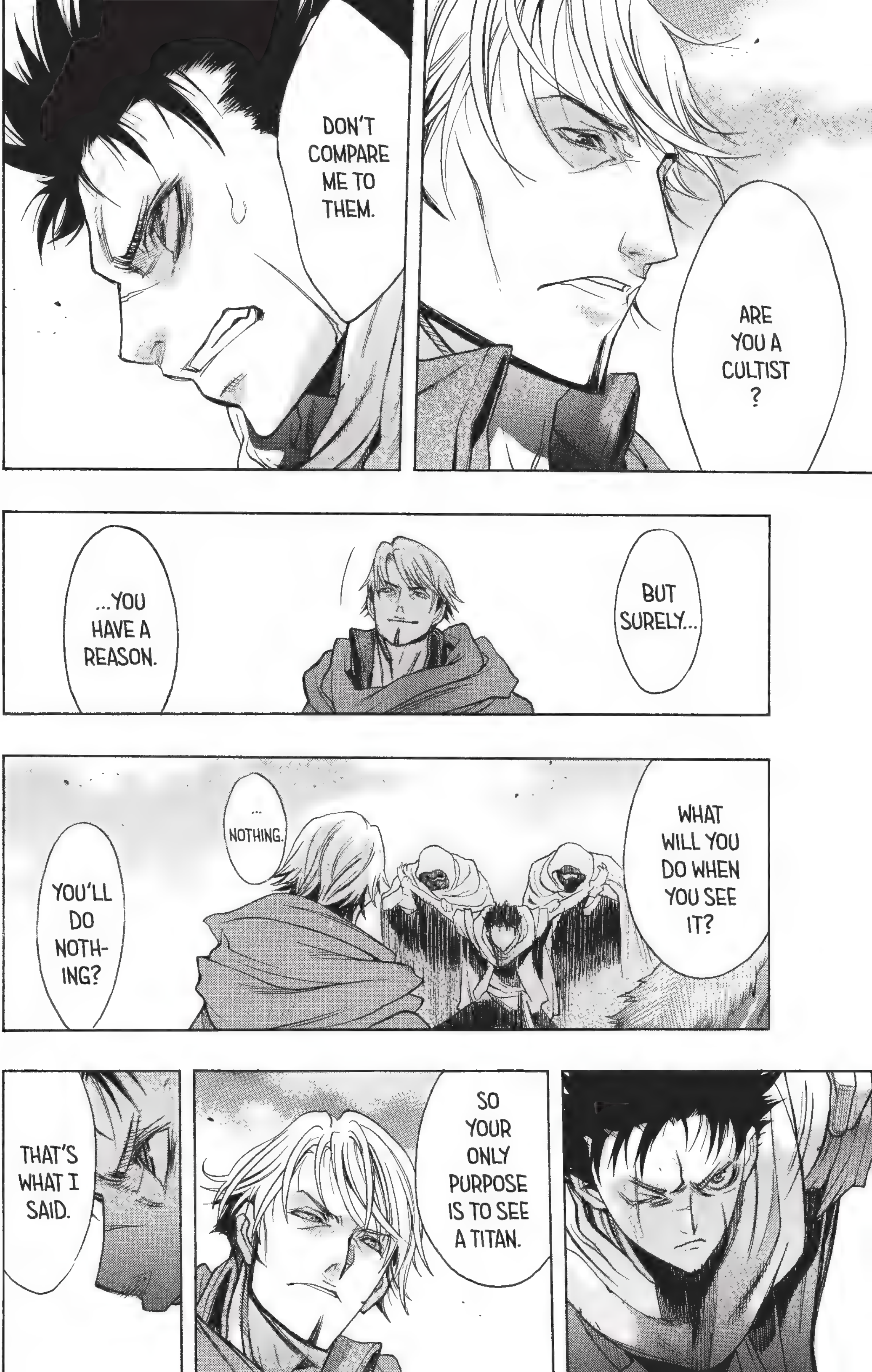

IN THAT CASE...
GRR
I MUST FIND HIM MYSELF !!
FOOM
WHA...
DSHH
I MUST SPEAK TO YOUR LEADER !!
STOMP
STOMP
WHERE IS HE?!

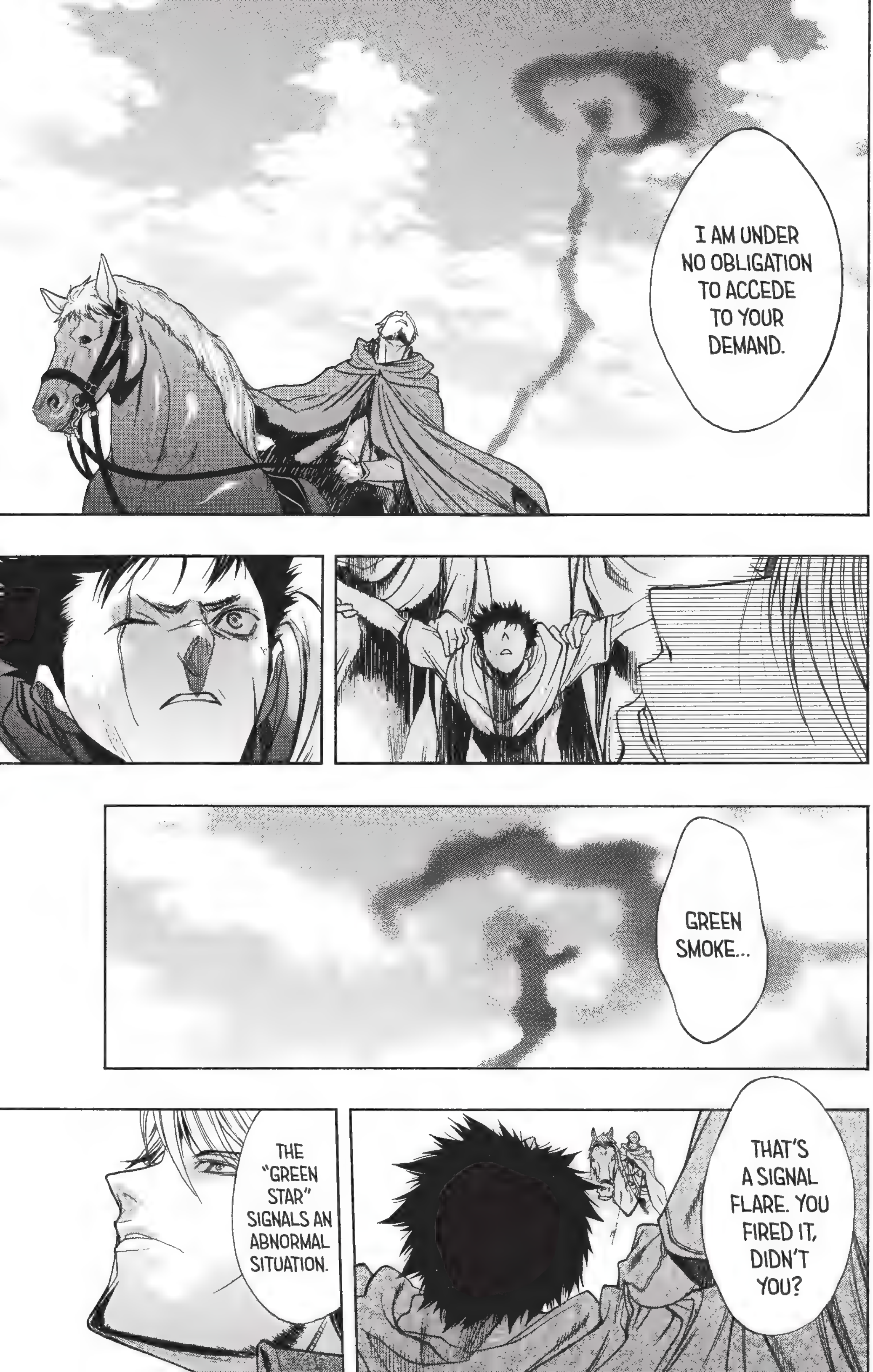

!!
WHAM
ドッ
THUD
ガッ
GRAK
!!
YANK
SHIT!
KACLOP
KACLOP

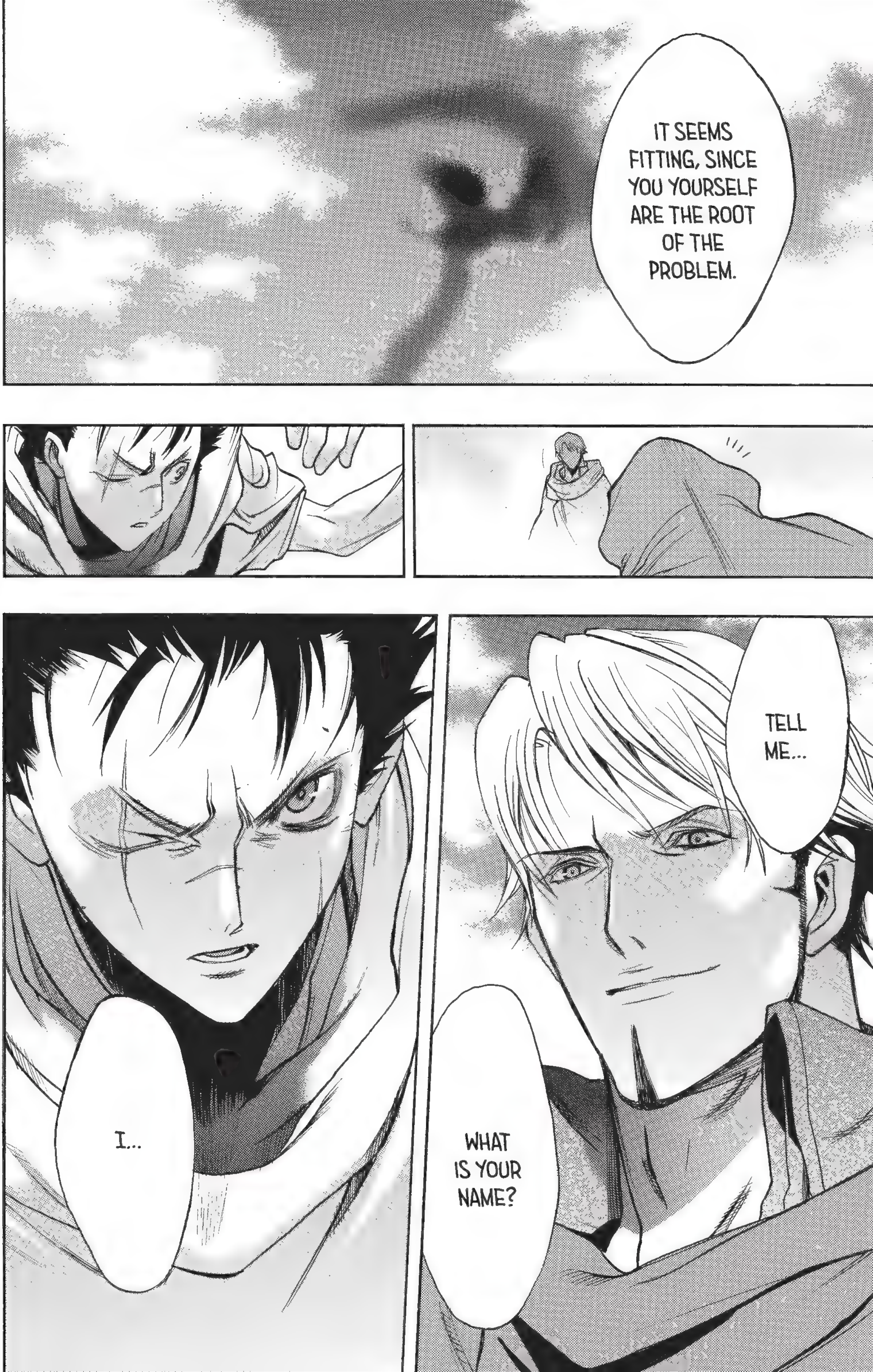

ガッ
CLOK
YOU WANTED ME?
...THAT'S HIM...!

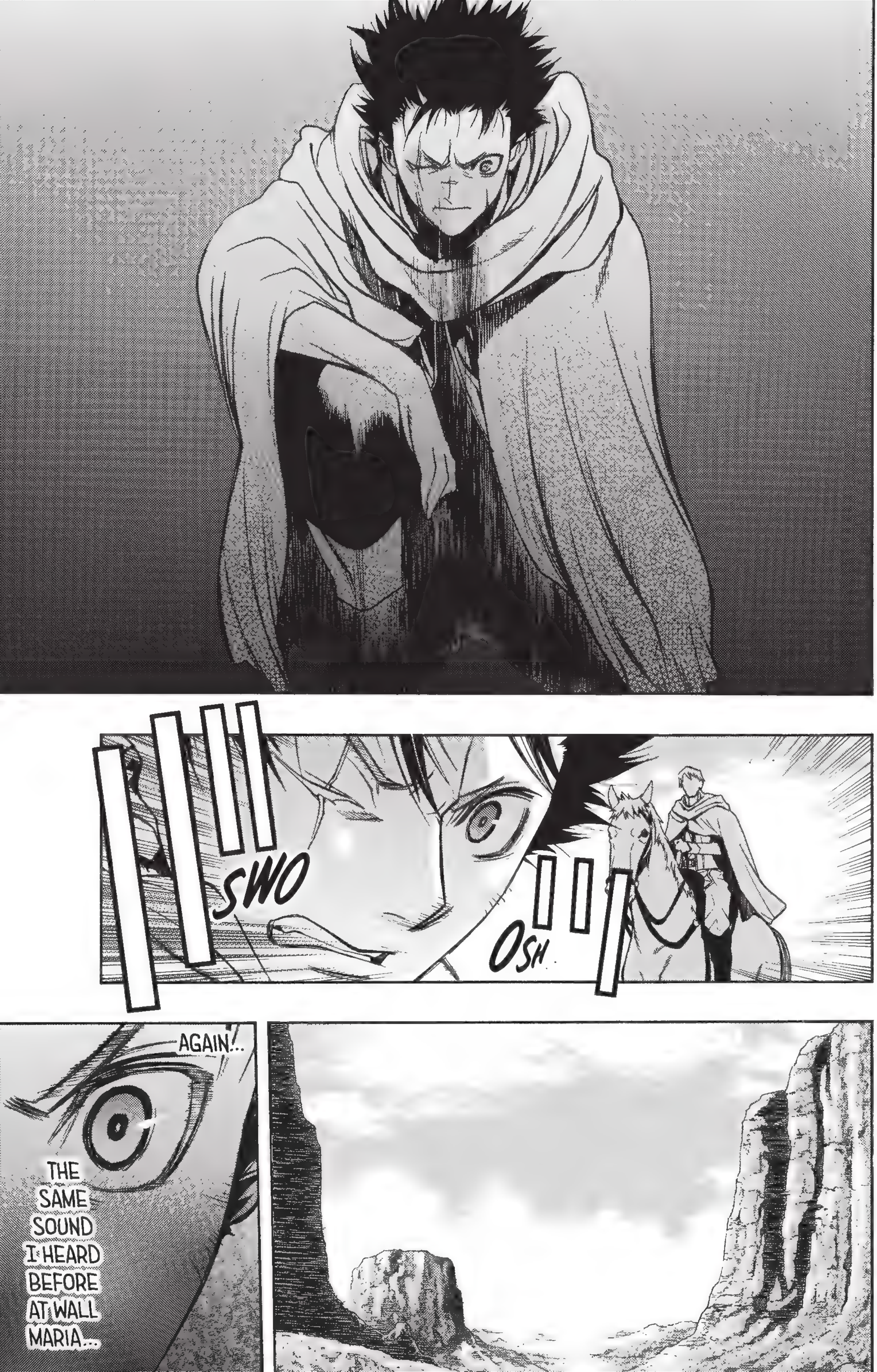

COMMANDER OF THE SURVEY CORPS...
...CARLO PIKALE.

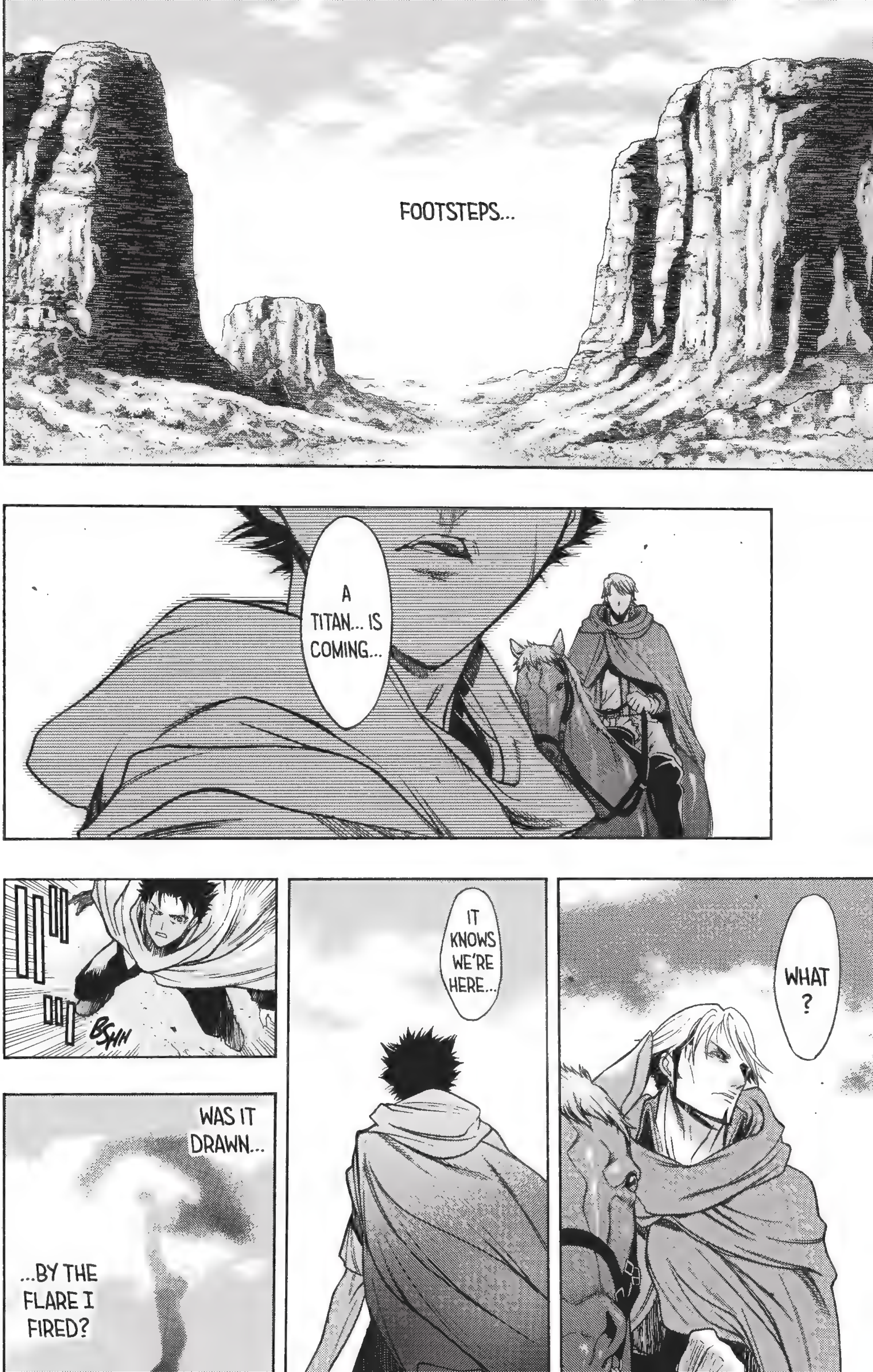

...
WHY DID YOU SNEAK ONTO THE WAGON?
I WANTED...
...TO SEE A TITAN.
FOR WHAT REASON?
I JUST WANTED TO SEE ONE.

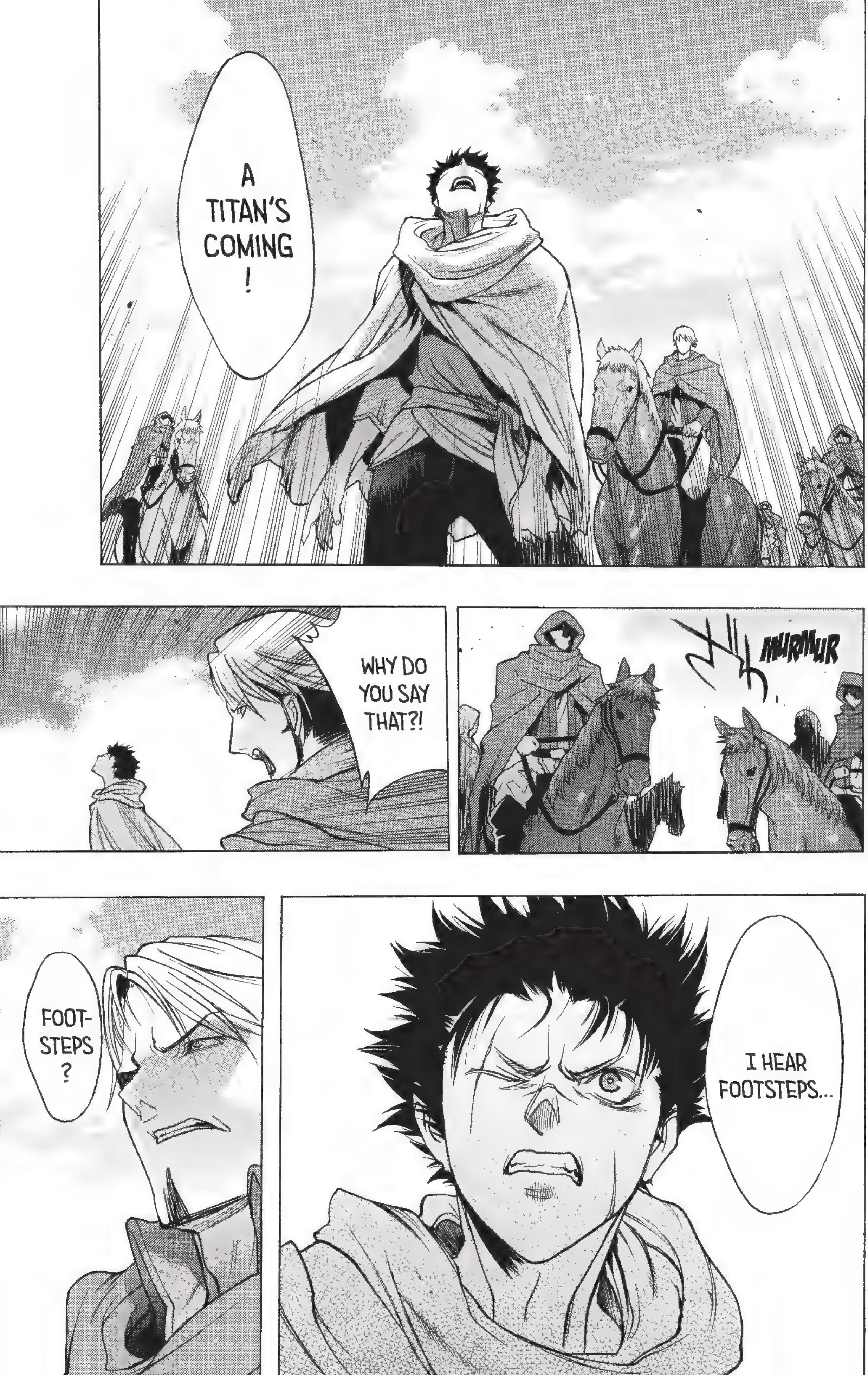

ARE YOU A CULTIST?
DON'T COMPARE ME TO THEM.
BUT SURELY...
...YOU HAVE A REASON.
WHAT WILL YOU DO WHEN YOU SEE IT?
... NOTHING.
YOU'LL DO NOTHING?
SO YOUR ONLY PURPOSE IS TO SEE A TITAN.
THAT'S WHAT I SAID.

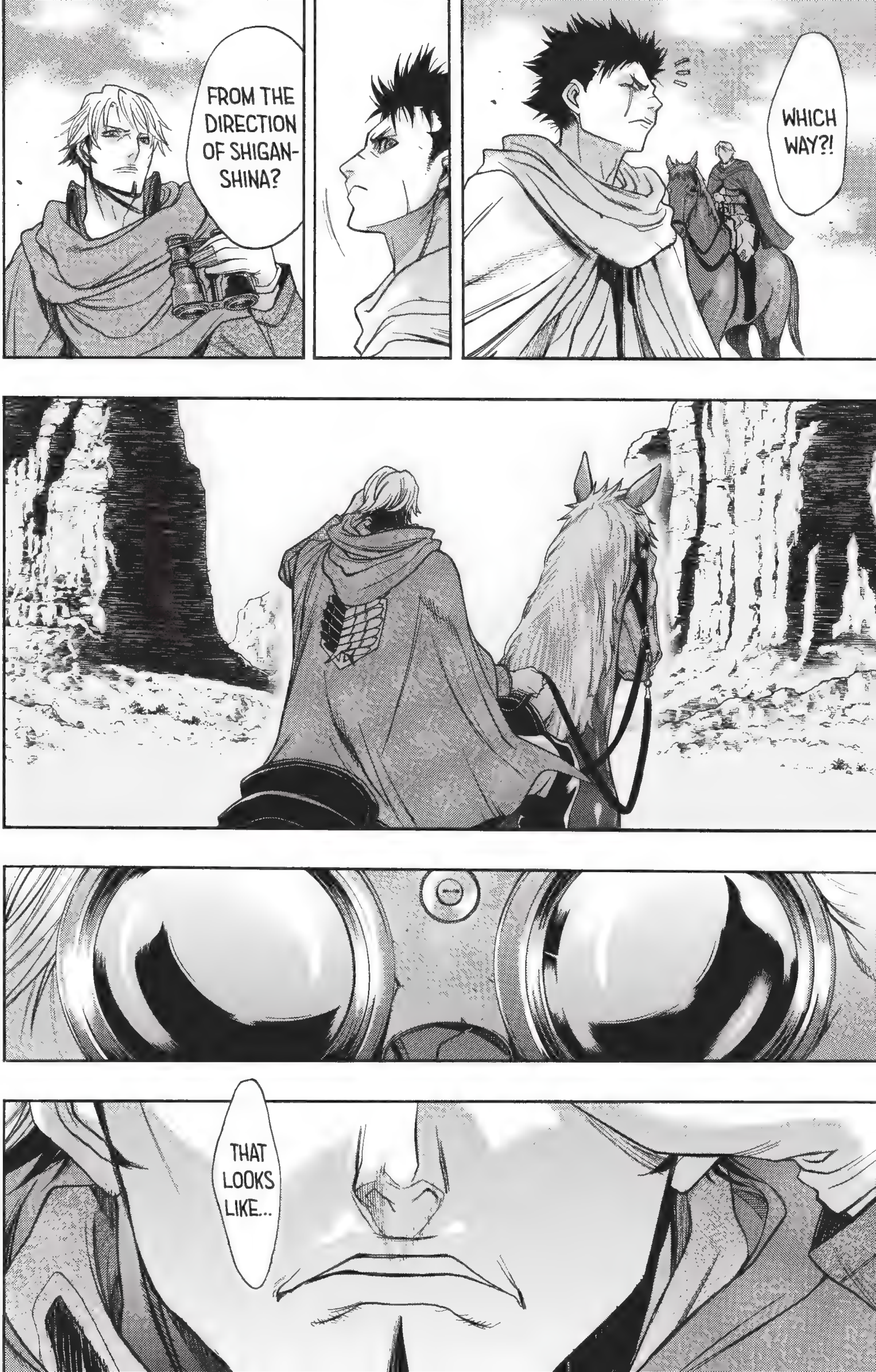

I AM UNDER NO OBLIGATION TO ACCEDE TO YOUR DEMAND.
GREEN SMOKE...
THAT'S A SIGNAL FLARE. YOU FIRED IT, DIDN'T YOU?
THE "GREEN STAR" SIGNALS AN ABNORMAL SITUATION.

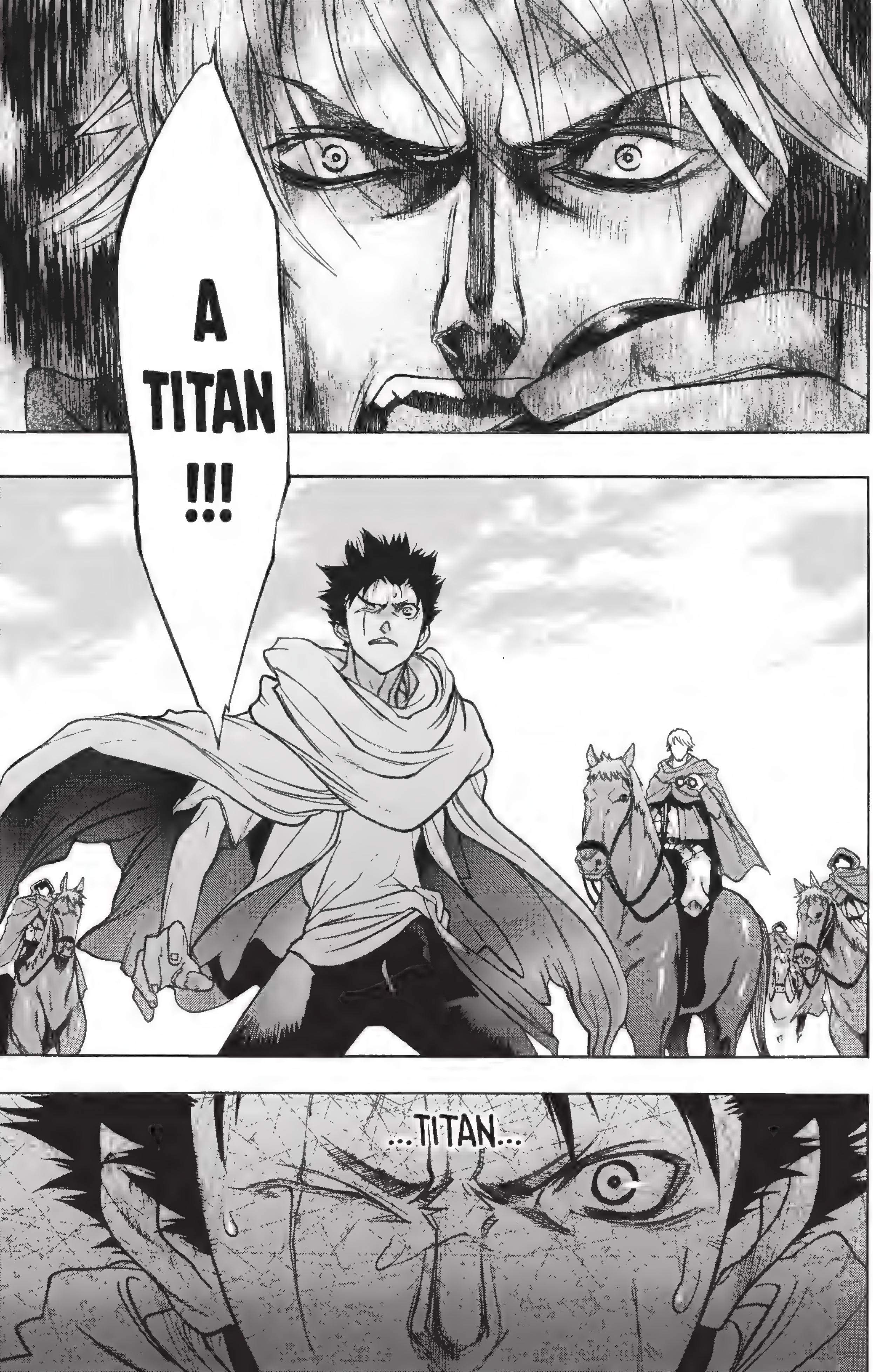

IT SEEMS FITTING, SINCE YOU YOURSELF ARE THE ROOT OF THE PROBLEM.
TELL ME...
WHAT IS YOUR NAME?
I...

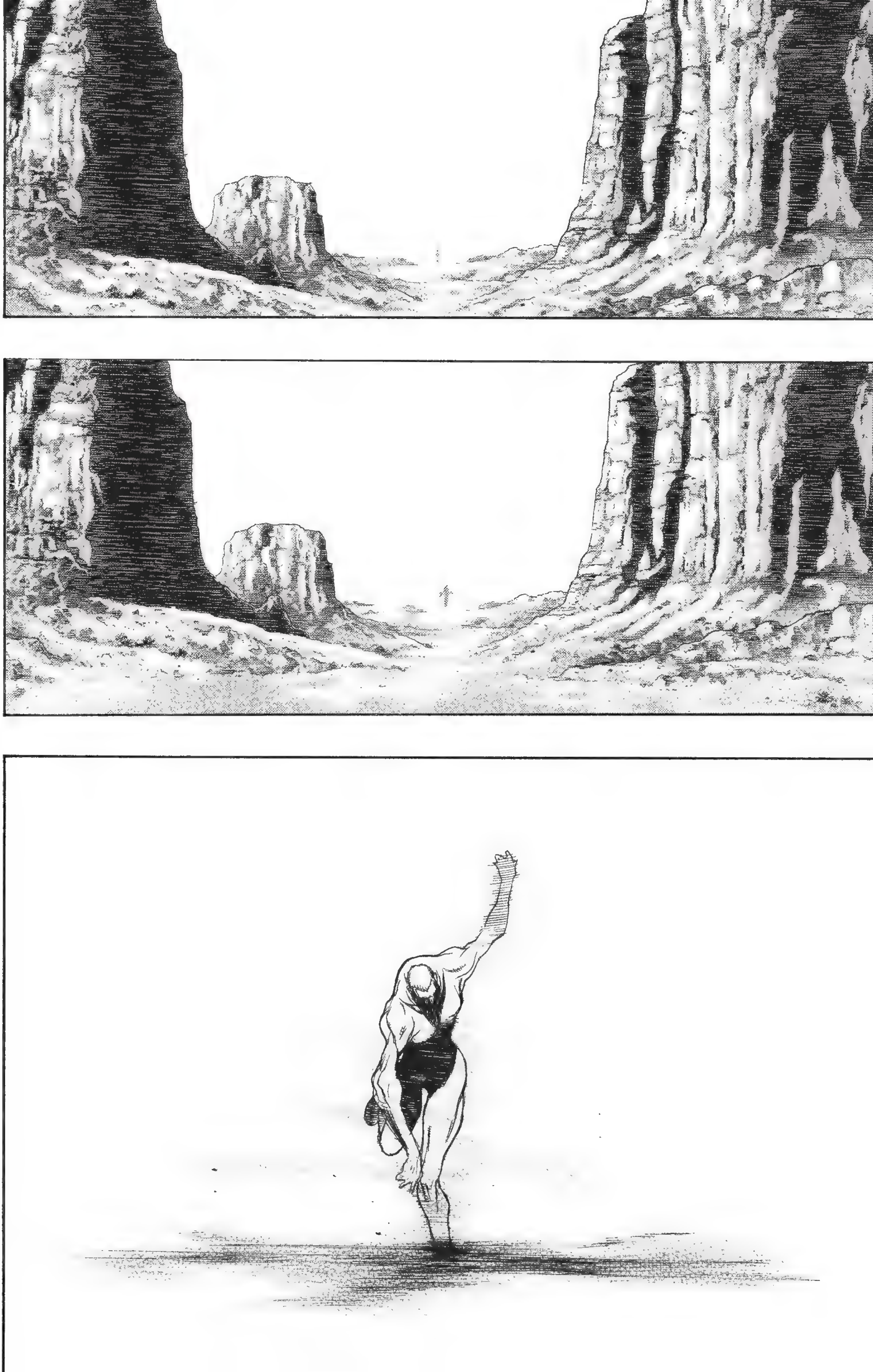

SWO
OSH.
AGAIN...
THE SAME SOUND I HEARD BEFORE AT WALL MARIA...

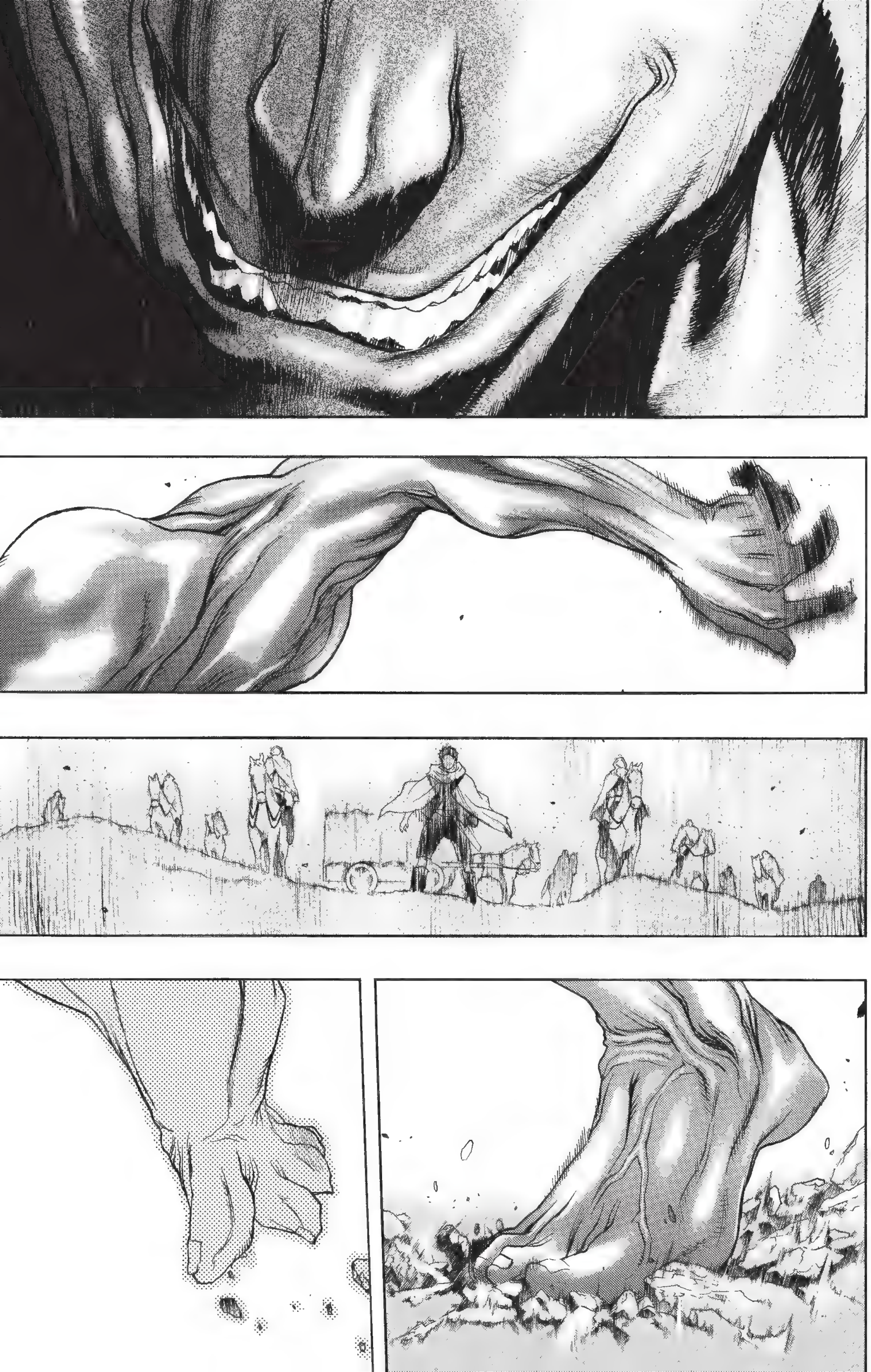

FOOTSTEPS...
A TITAN... IS COMING...
WHAT?
IT KNOWS WE'RE HERE...
BSHH
WAS IT DRAWN...
...BY THE FLARE I FIRED?

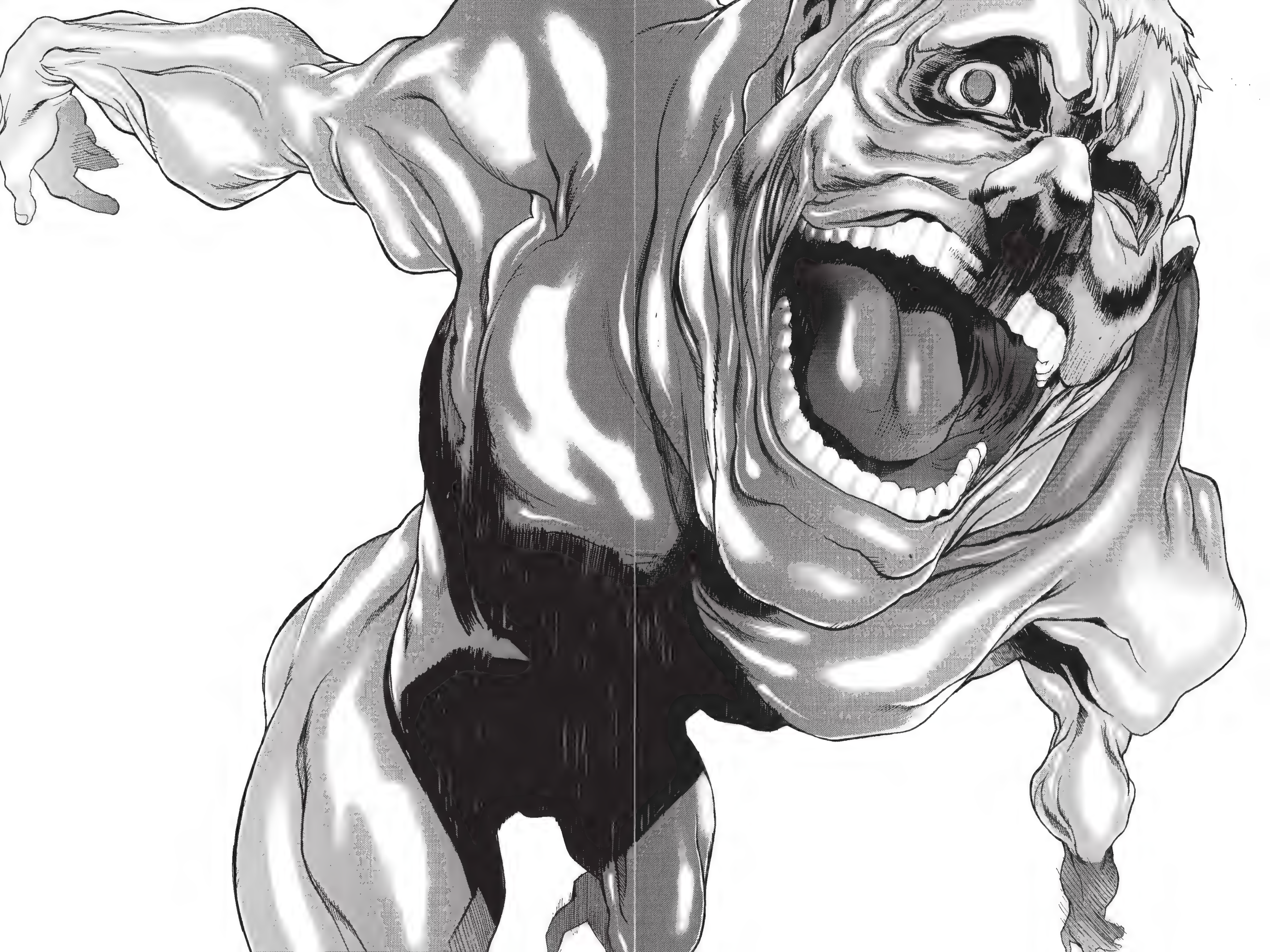

A TITAN'S COMING!
MURMUR
WHY DO YOU SAY THAT?!
I HEAR FOOTSTEPS...
FOOTSTEPS?

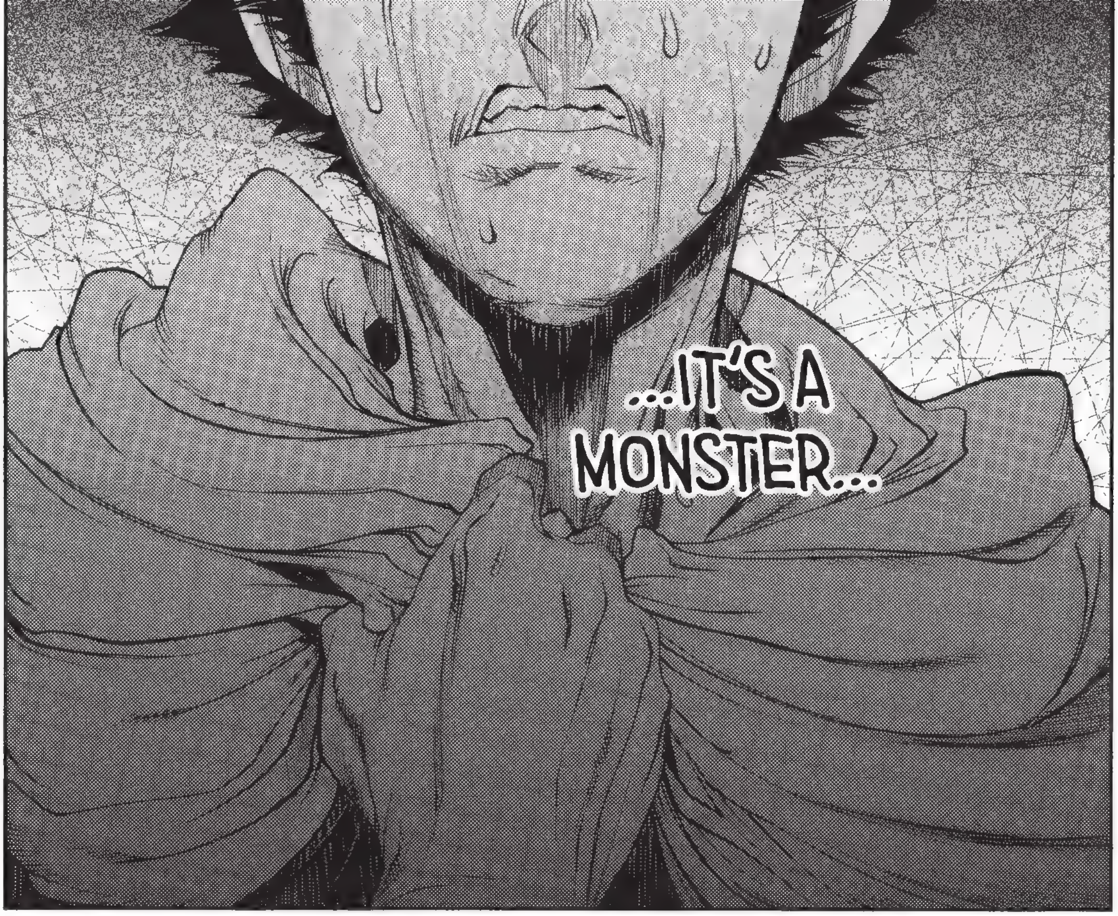

WHICH WAY?!
FROM THE DIRECTION OF SHIGANSHINA?
THAT LOOKS LIKE...


A TITAN !!!
...TITAN...

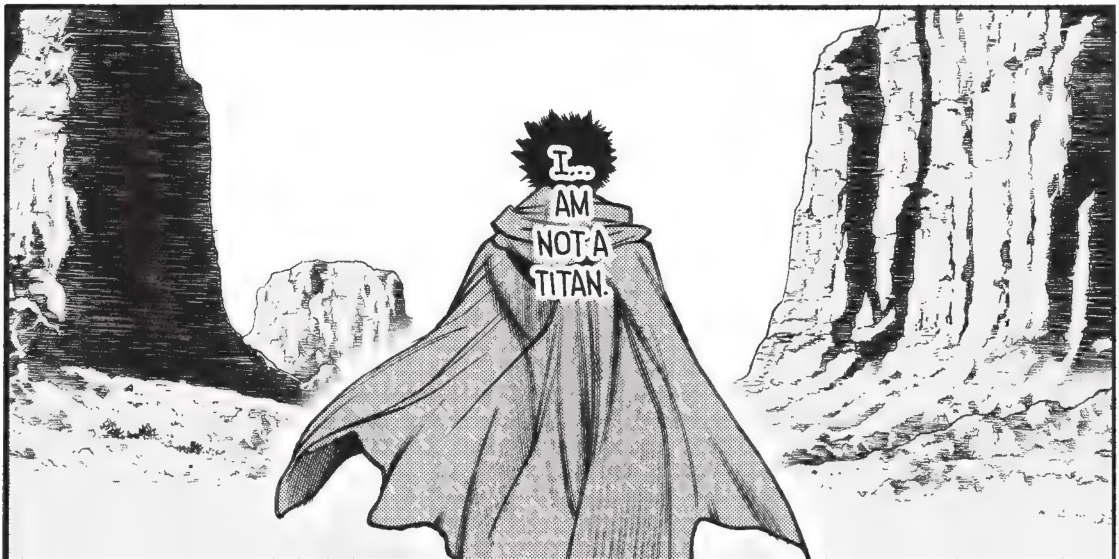


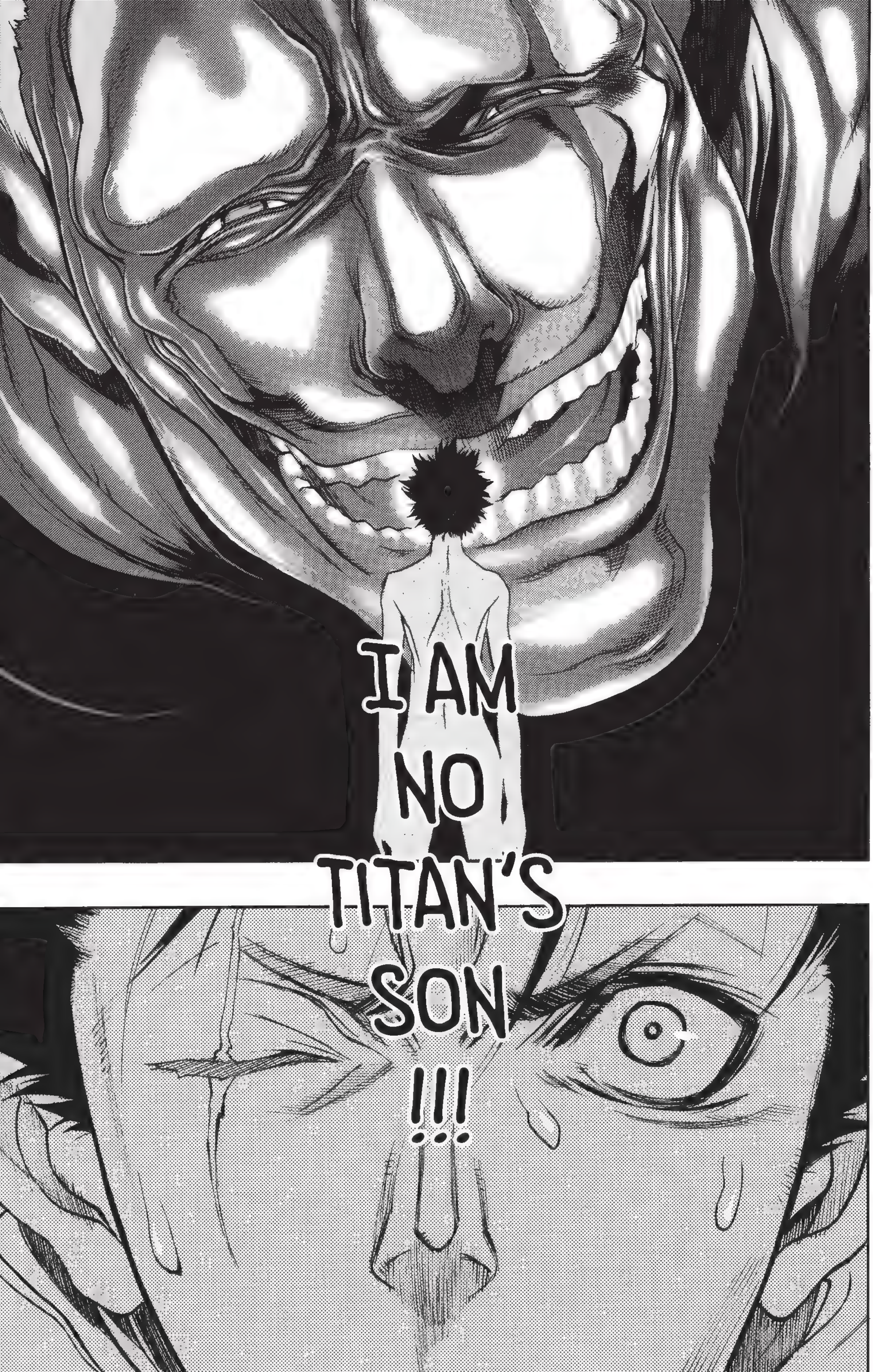


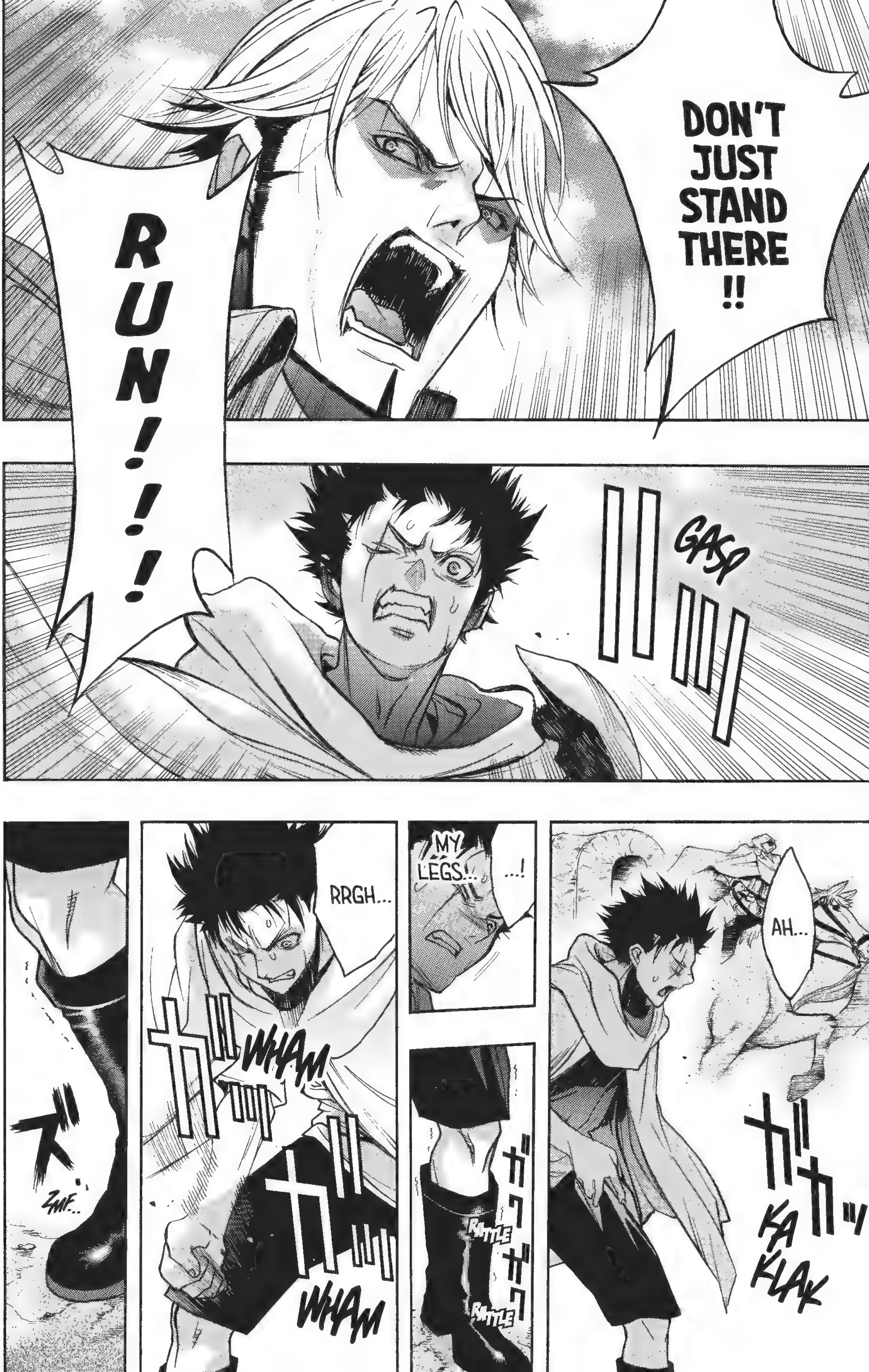


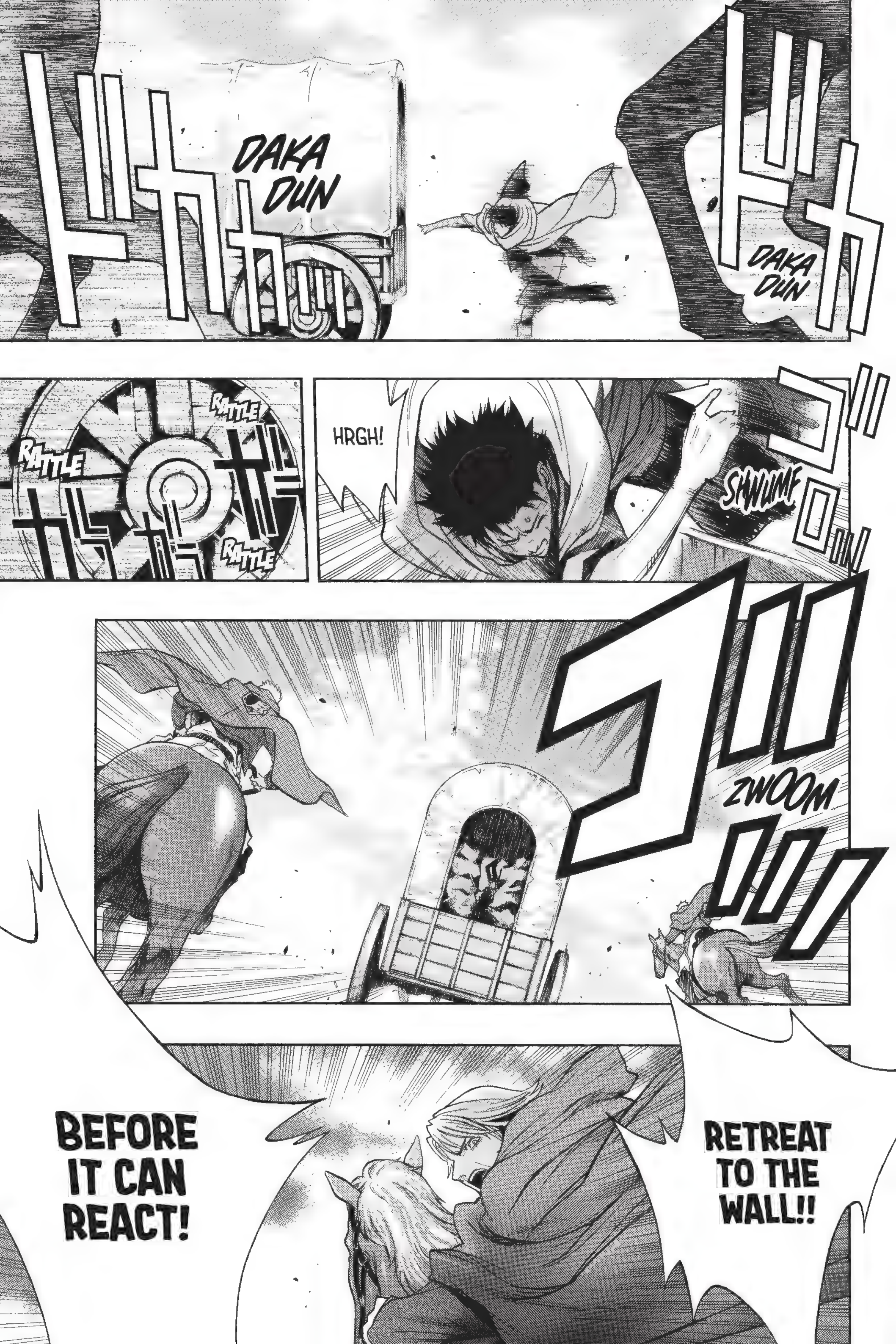

...IT'S A MONSTER...

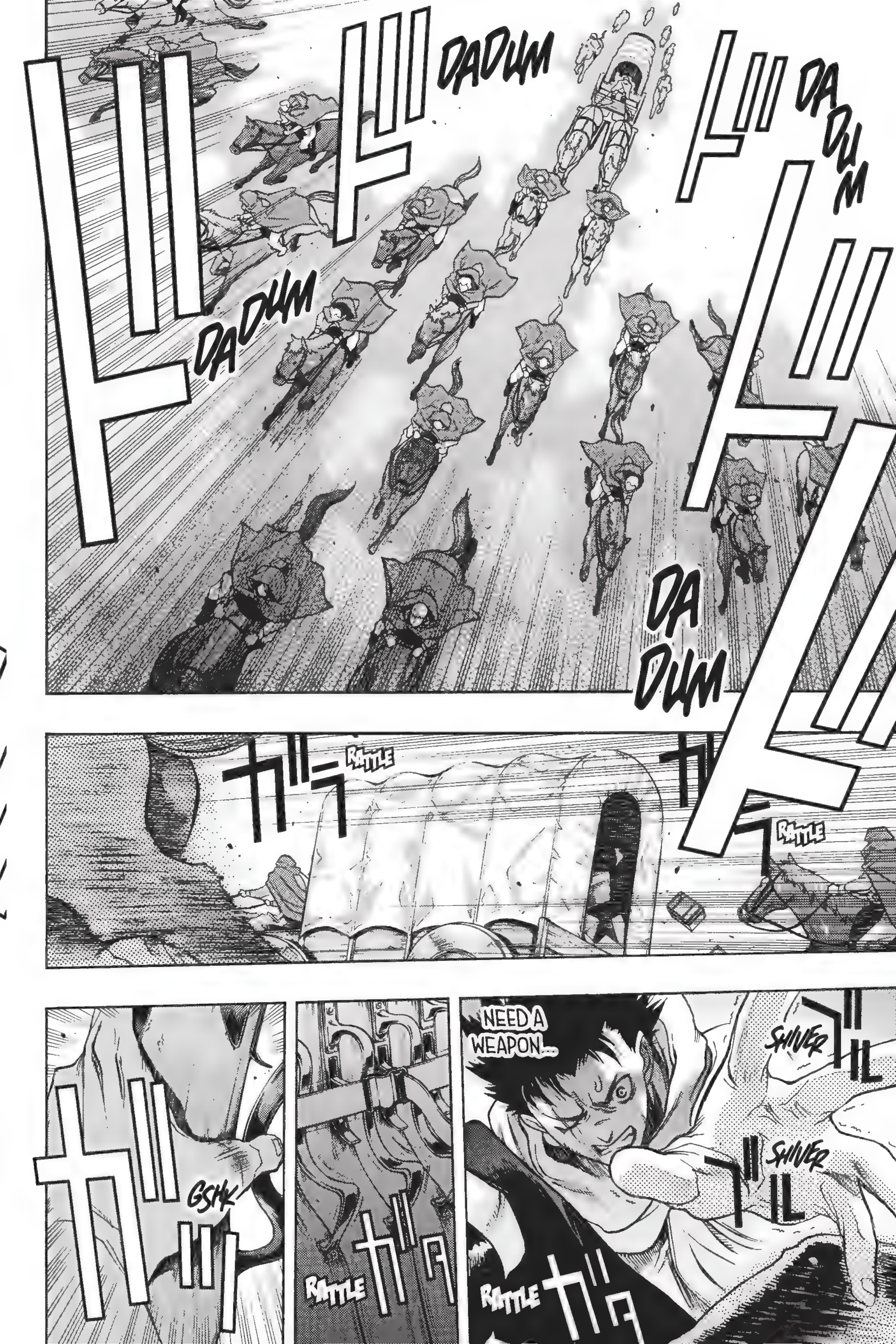
THAT... IS A REAL TITAN...
WHICH MEANS... I AM NOT.

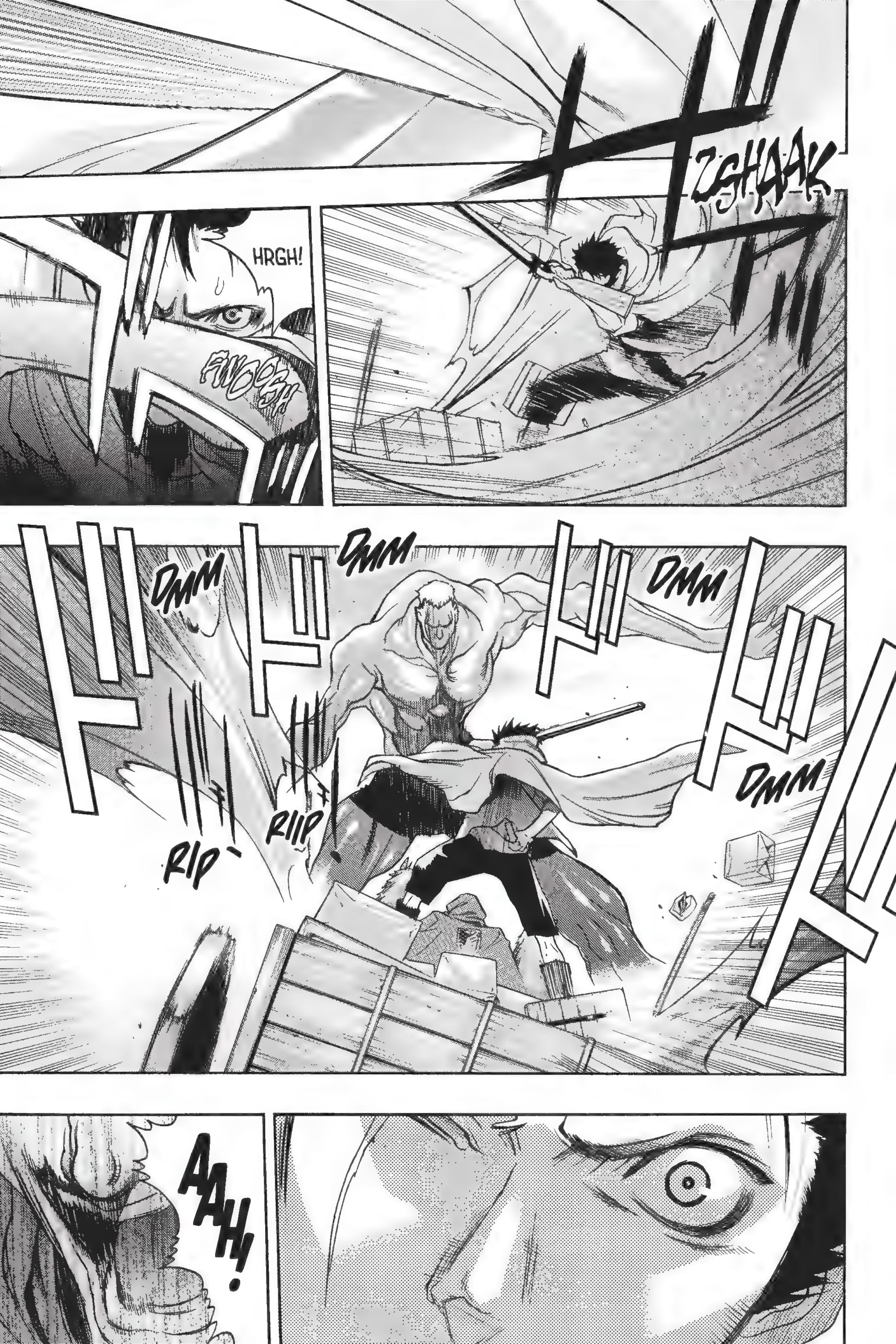

I... AM NOT A TITAN.

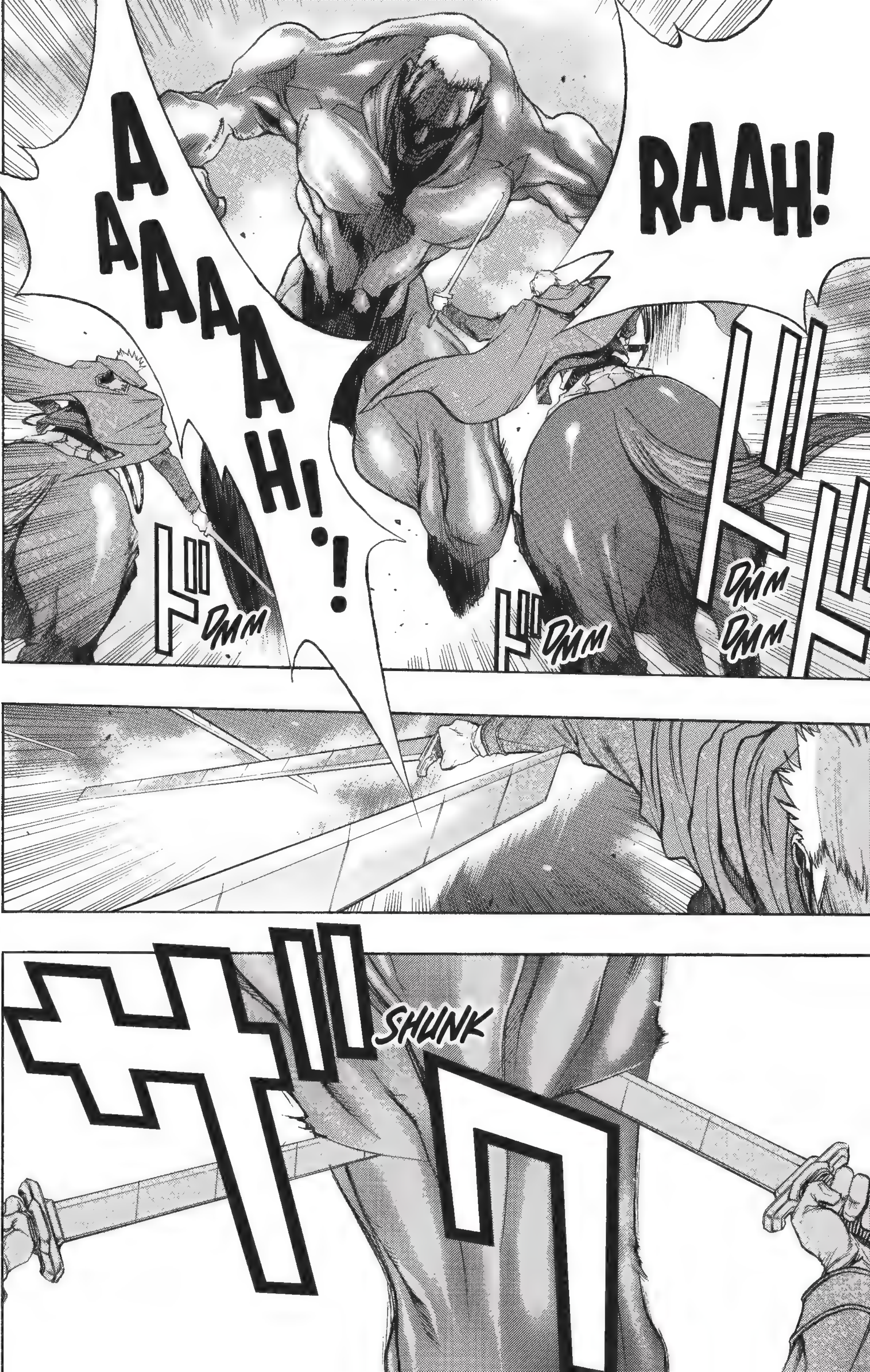

I AM NO TITAN'S SON !!!

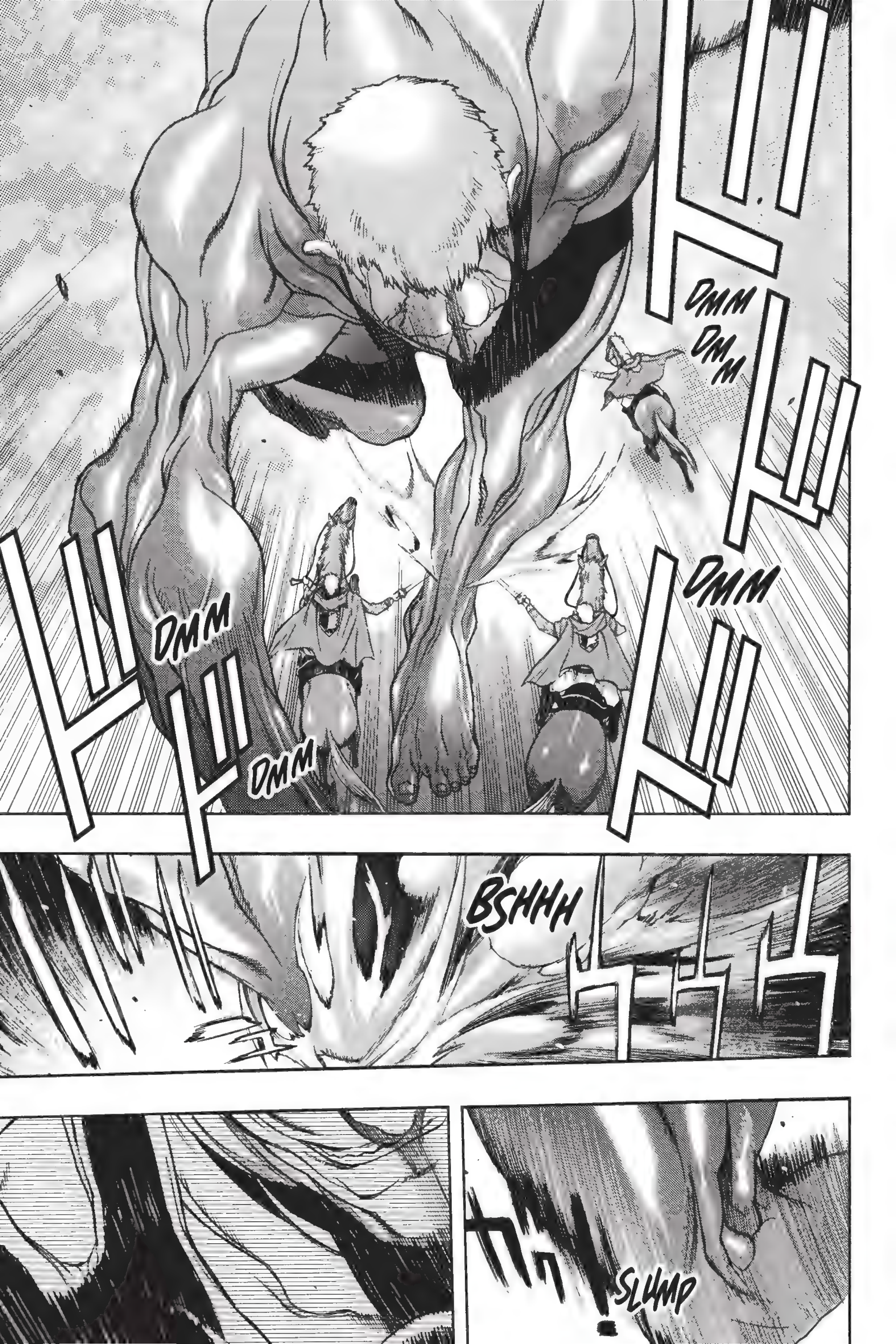

DON'T JUST STAND THERE!!
RUN!!!!
GASP
AH...
KA KLAK
MY LEGS...
...!
RATTLE
RATTLE
RRGH...
WHAM
WHAM
ZMF...


DAKA DUN
DAKA DUN
SHWUMF
HRGH!
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
ZWOOM
RETREAT TO THE WALL!!
BEFORE IT CAN REACT!


ドドド DADUM
ドド DADUM
ドド DADUM
ドドド DA DUM
ガラ RATTLE
ガラ RATTLE
ブル SHIVER
ブル SHIVER
NEED A WEAPON...
ガタ RATTLE
ガタ RATTLE
ギッ GSHK


ZSHAAK
HRGH!
FWOOSH
DMM
DMM
DMM
DMM
DMM
RIIP
RIP
AAH!


RAAH!
ドッ
DMM
DMM
AAAAAAH!!
ドッ
DMM
ドッ
DMM
SHUNK


DMM
DMM
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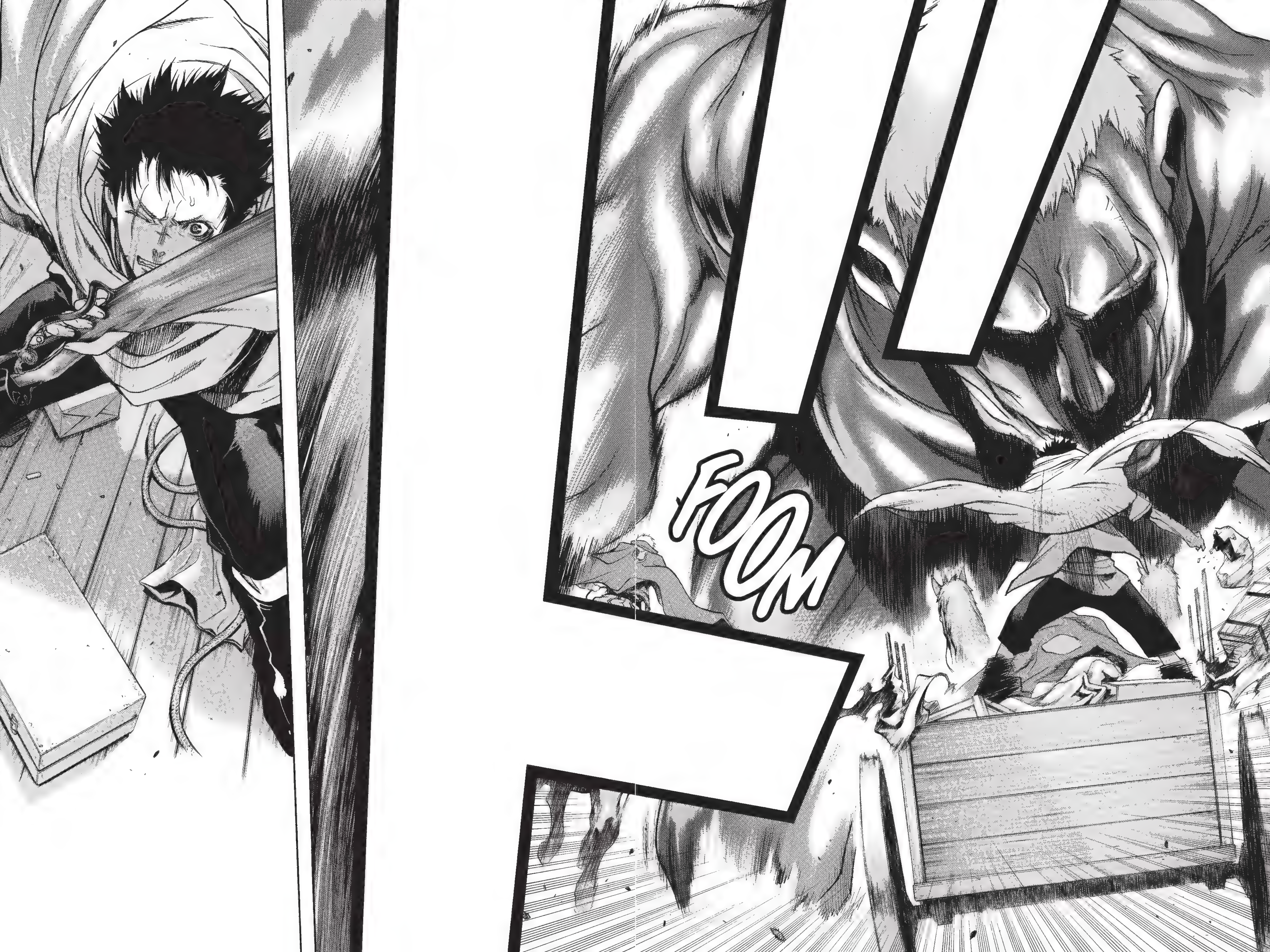
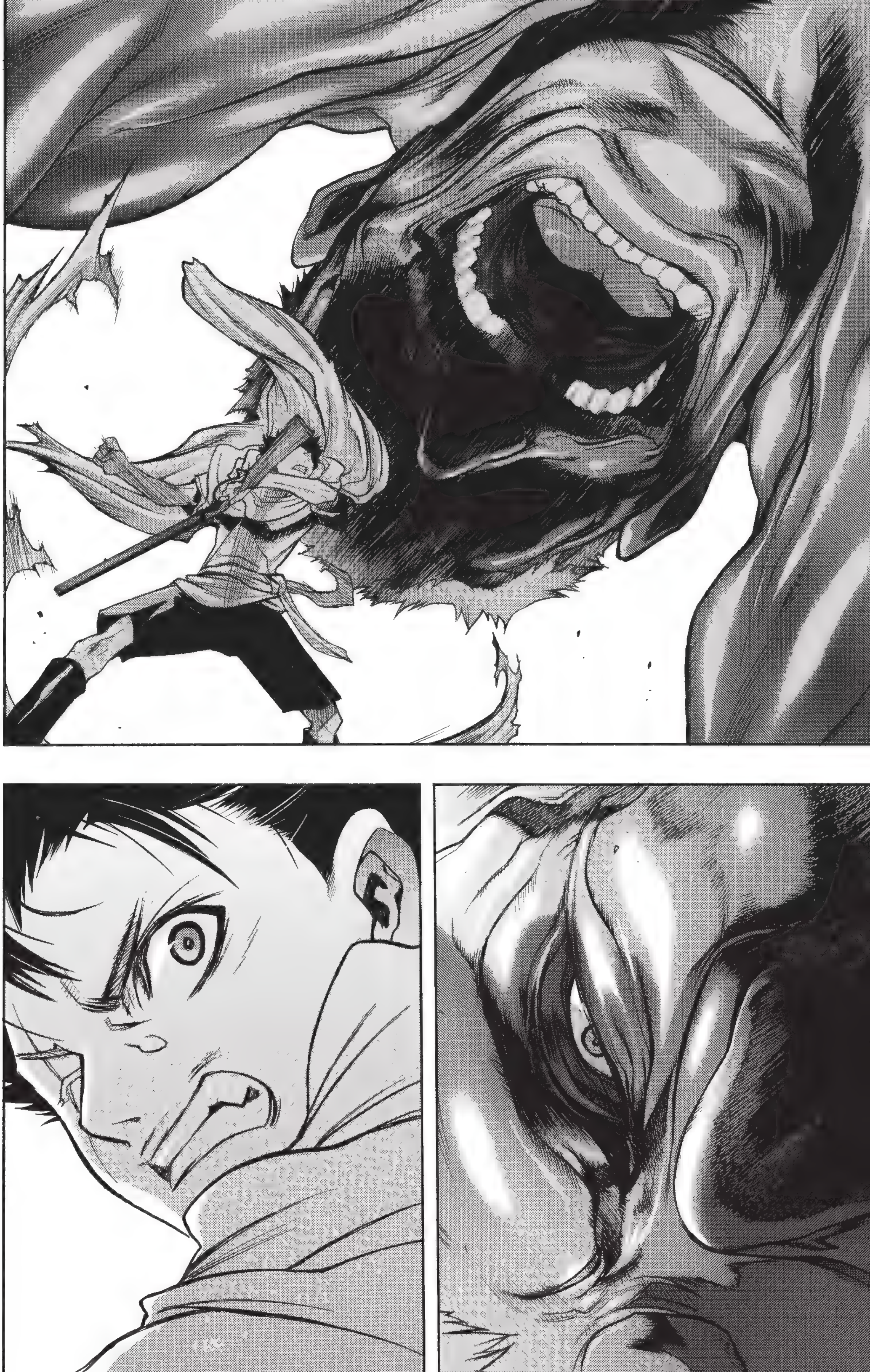
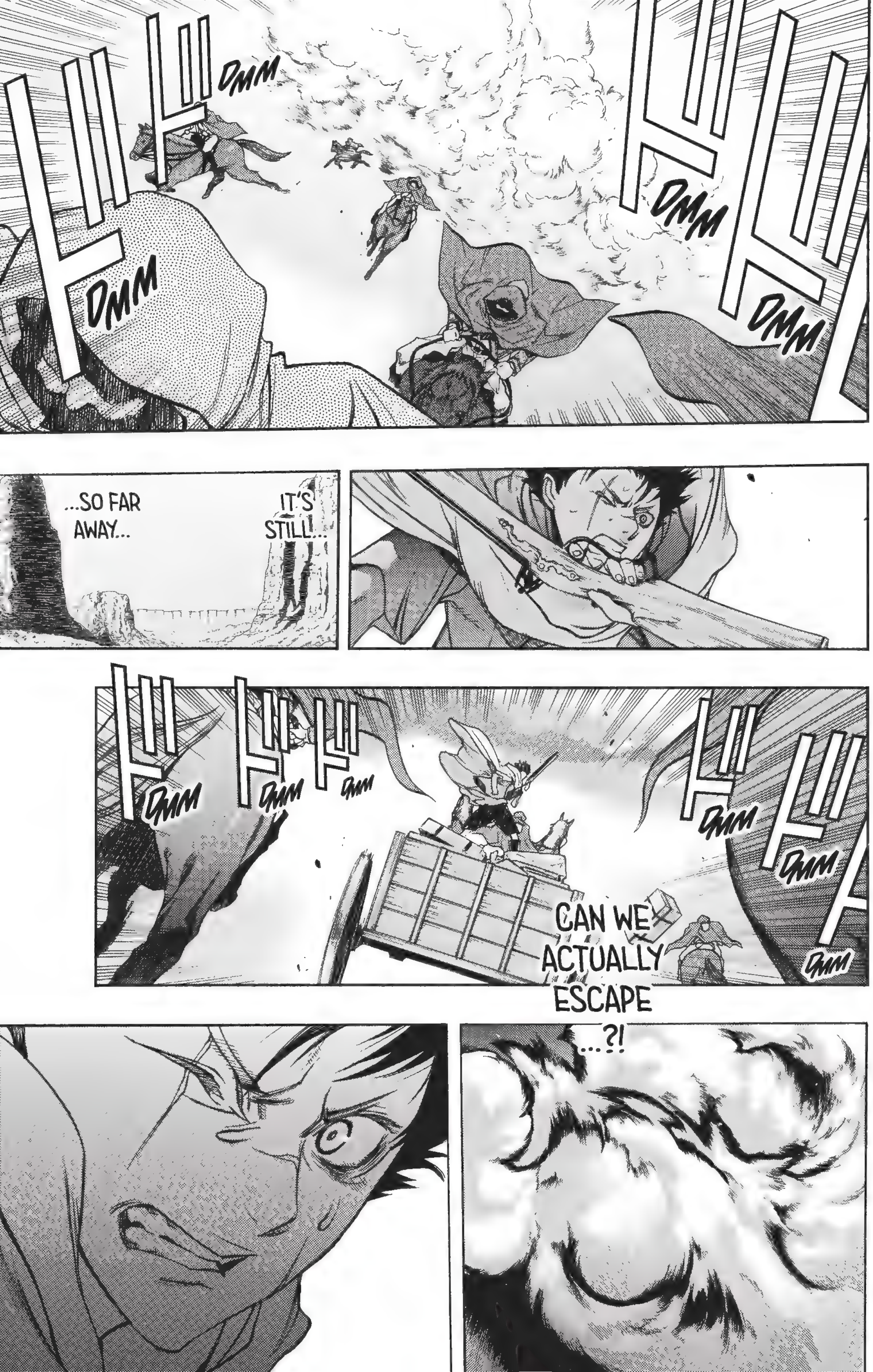
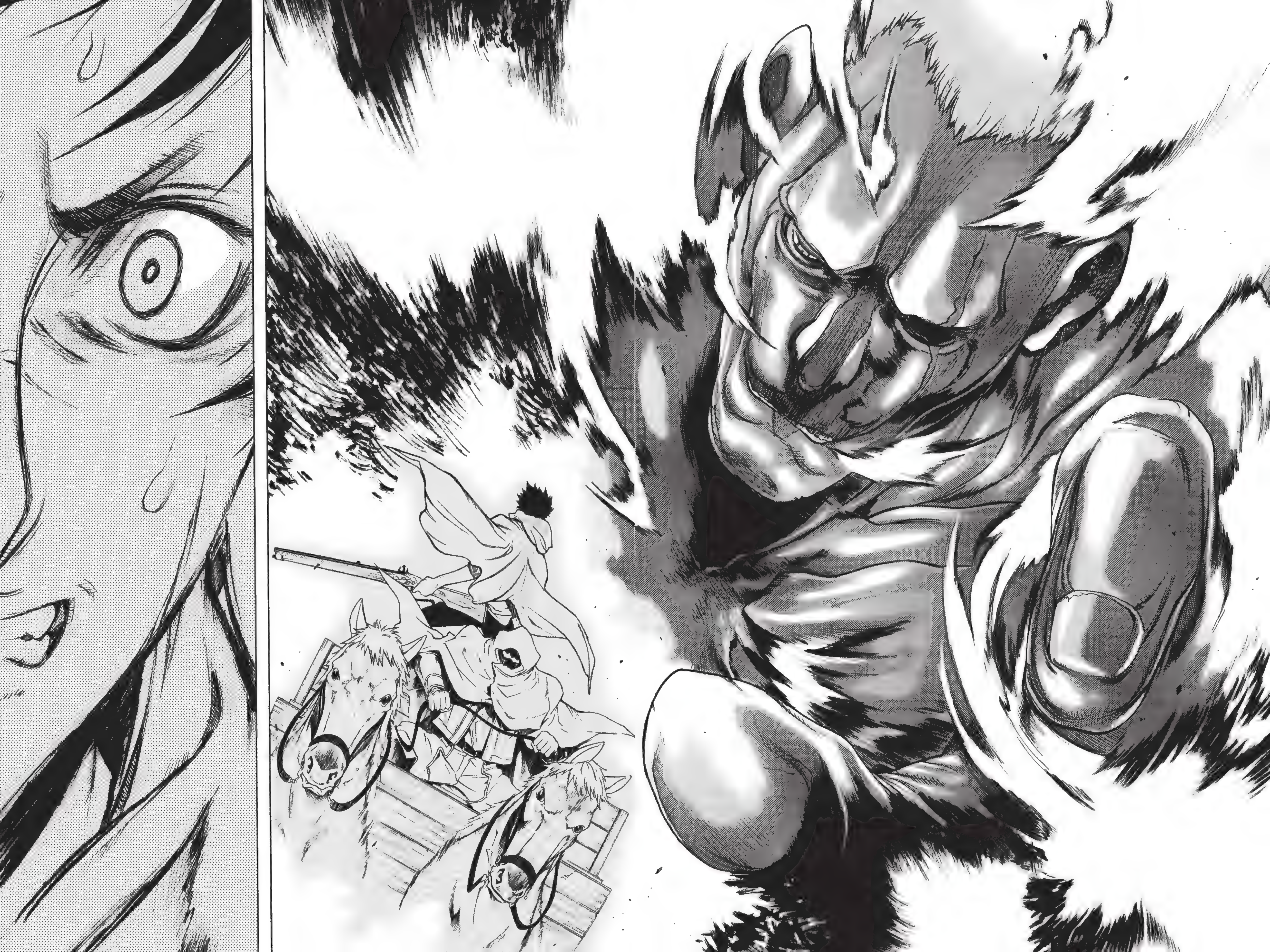
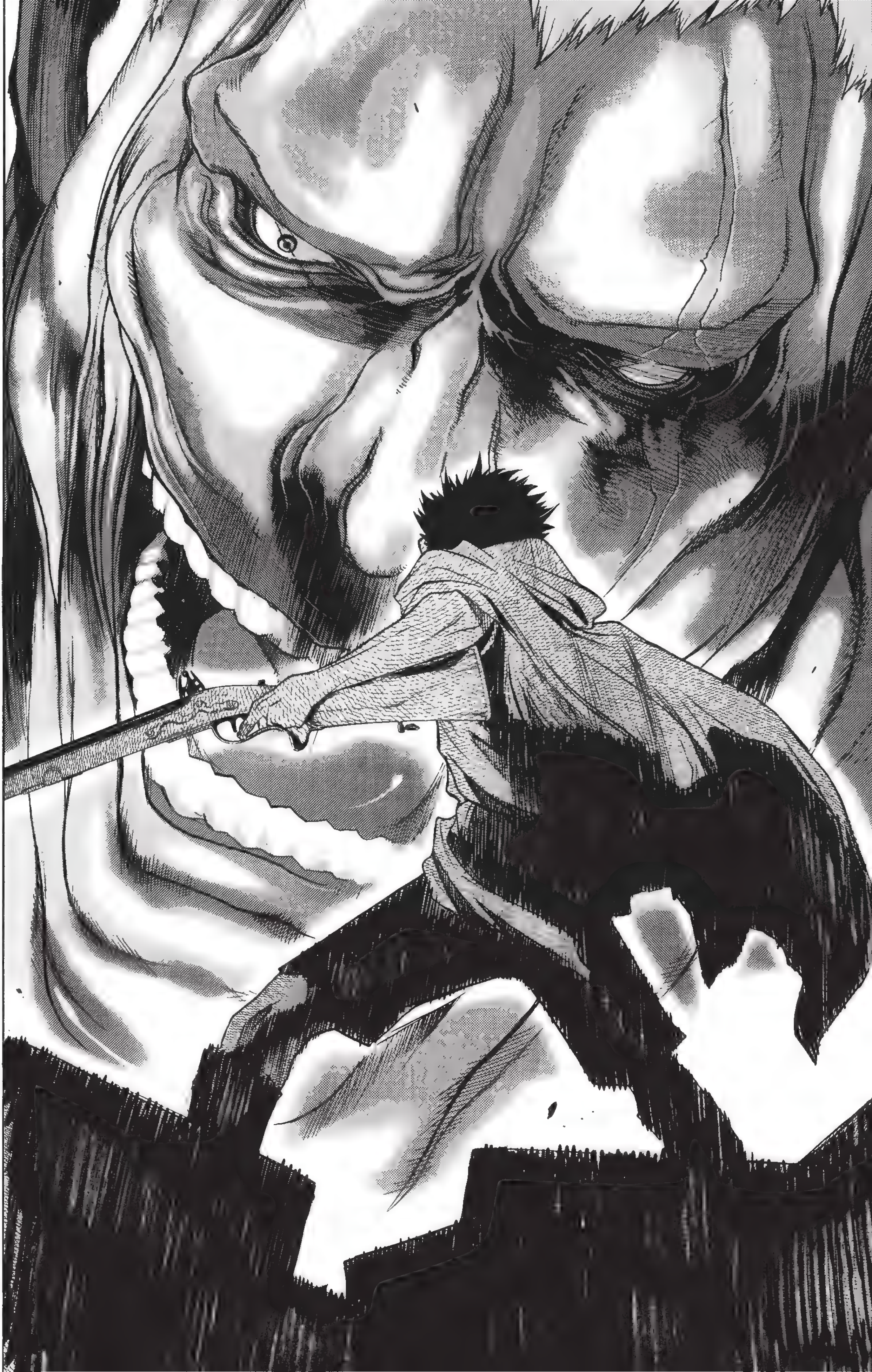
DMM
DMM
BSHHH
SLUMP


FOOM




DMM
DMM
DMM
DMM
IT'S STILL...
...SO FAR AWAY...
DMM
DMM
DMM
DMM
DMM
DMM
CAN WE ACTUALLY ESCAPE ...?!





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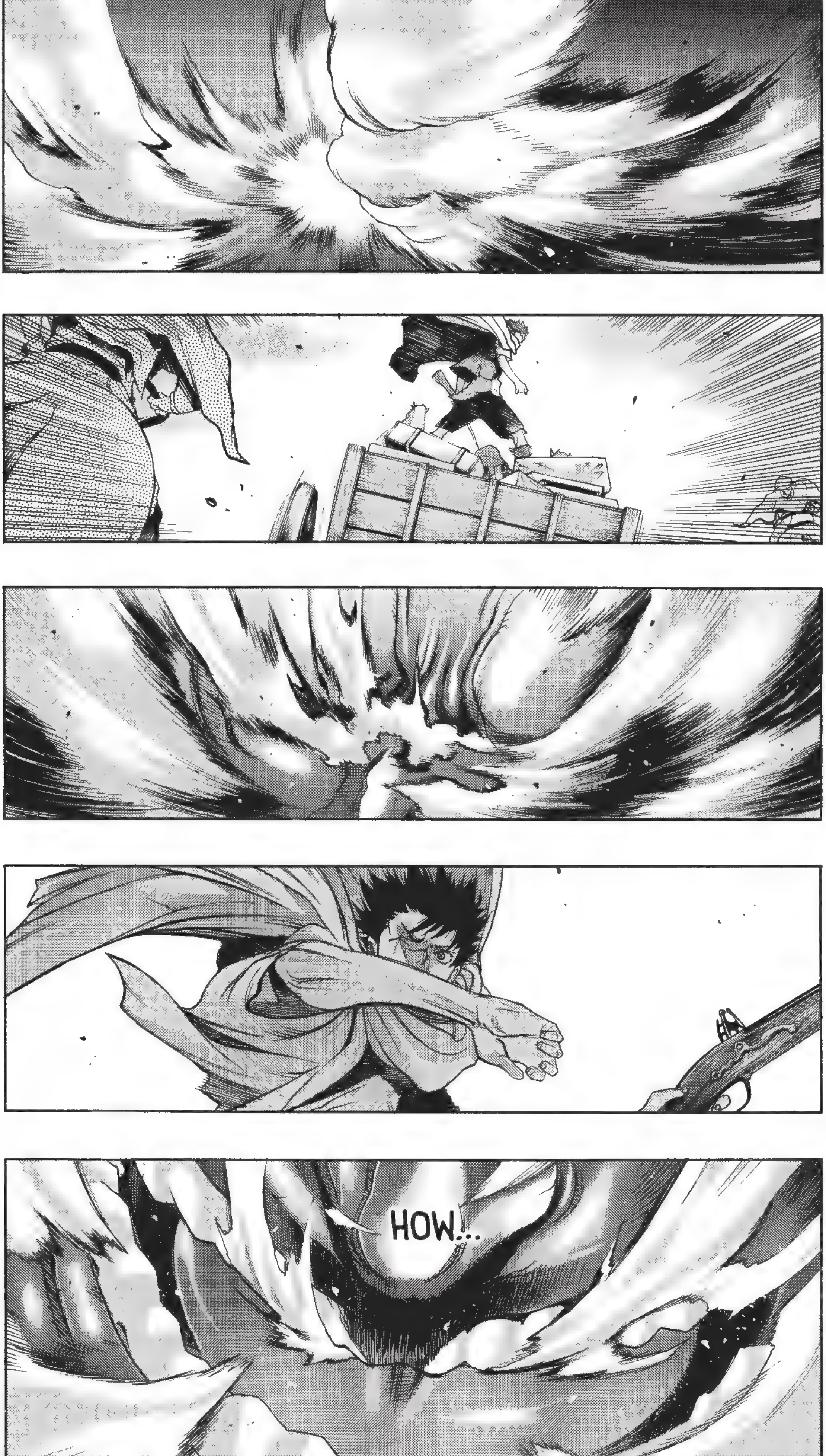
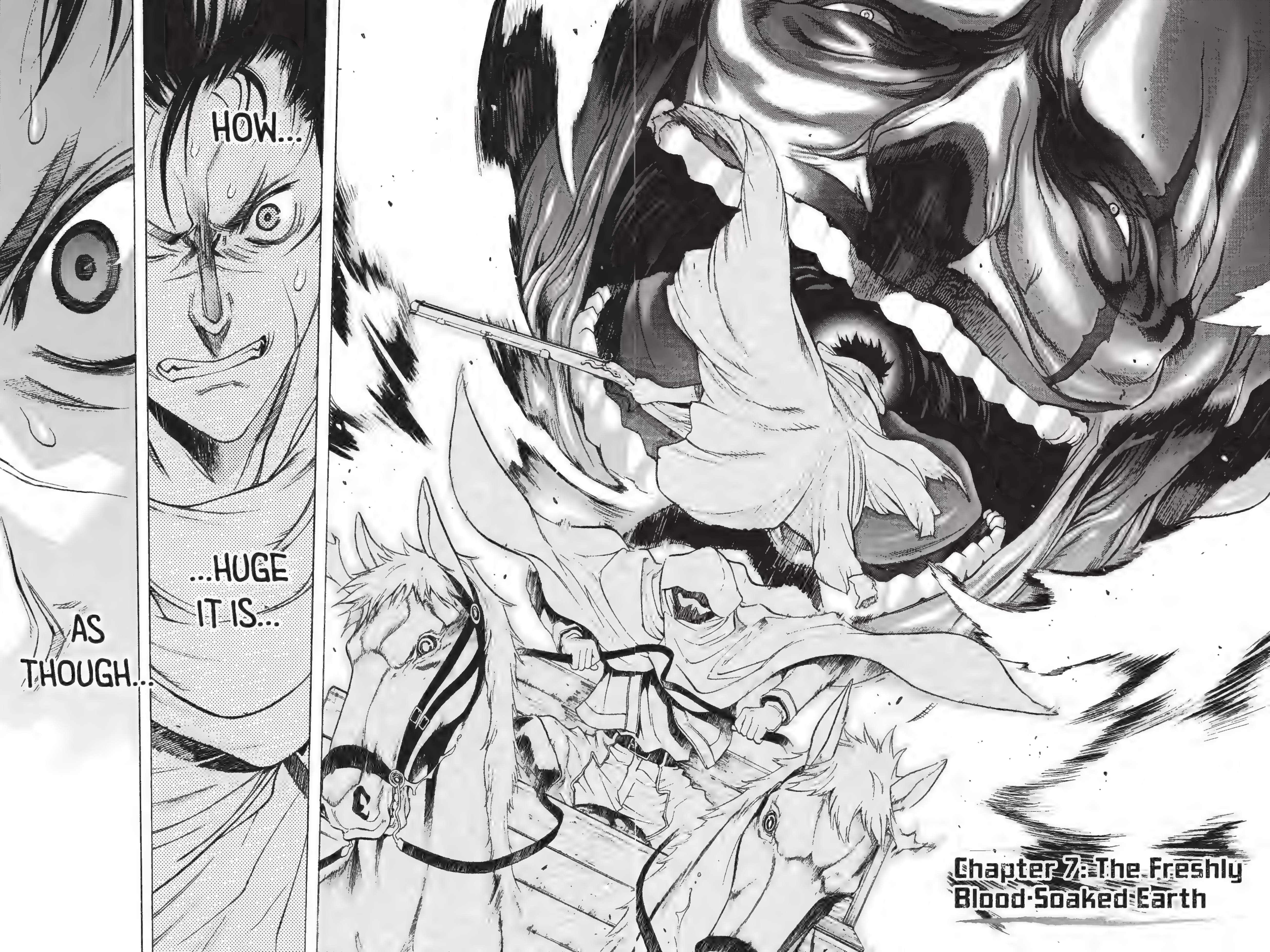
ATTACK on TITAN
BEFORE THE FALL


HOW!...


HOW...
...HUGE IT IS...
AS THOUGH...

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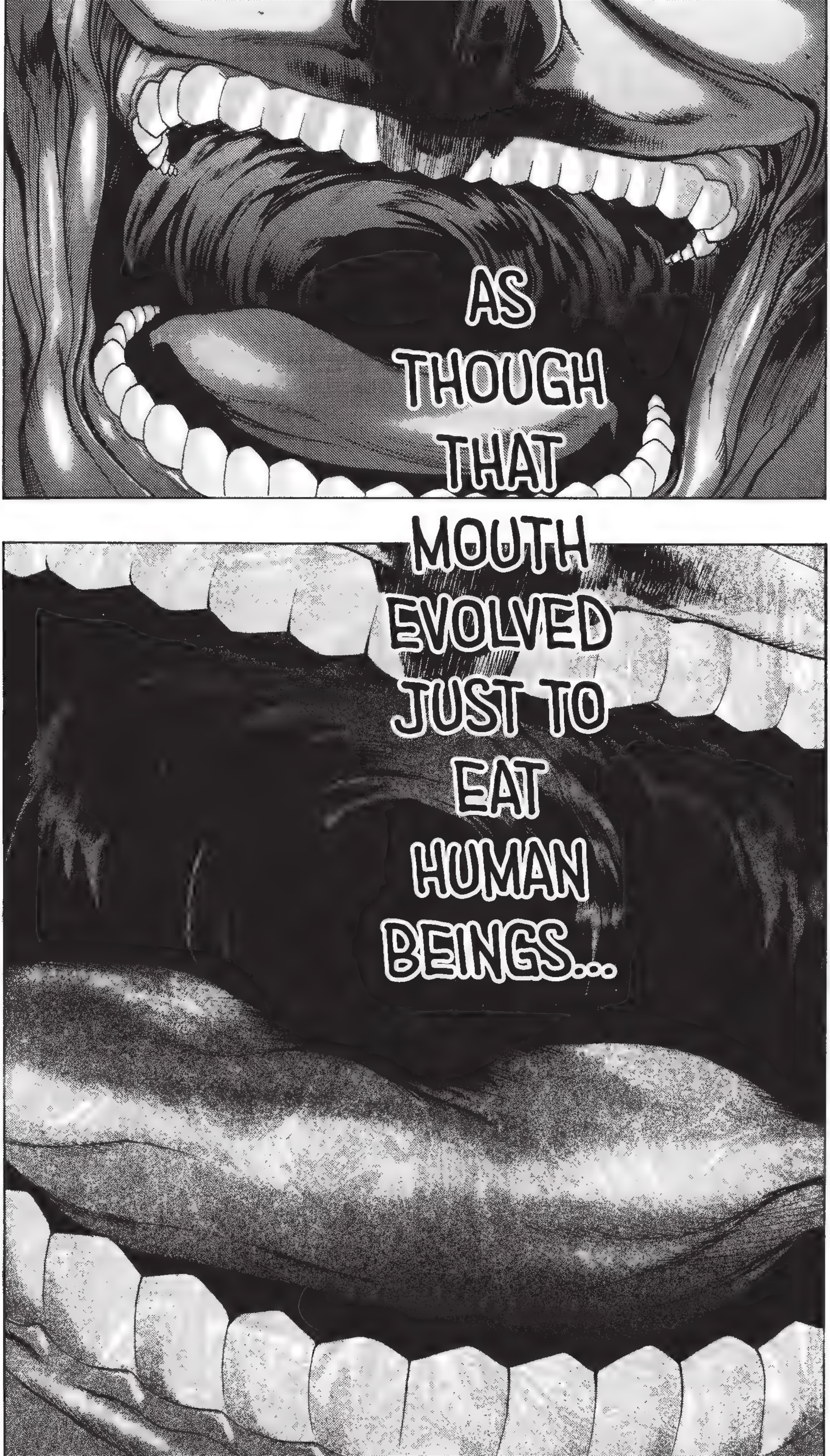
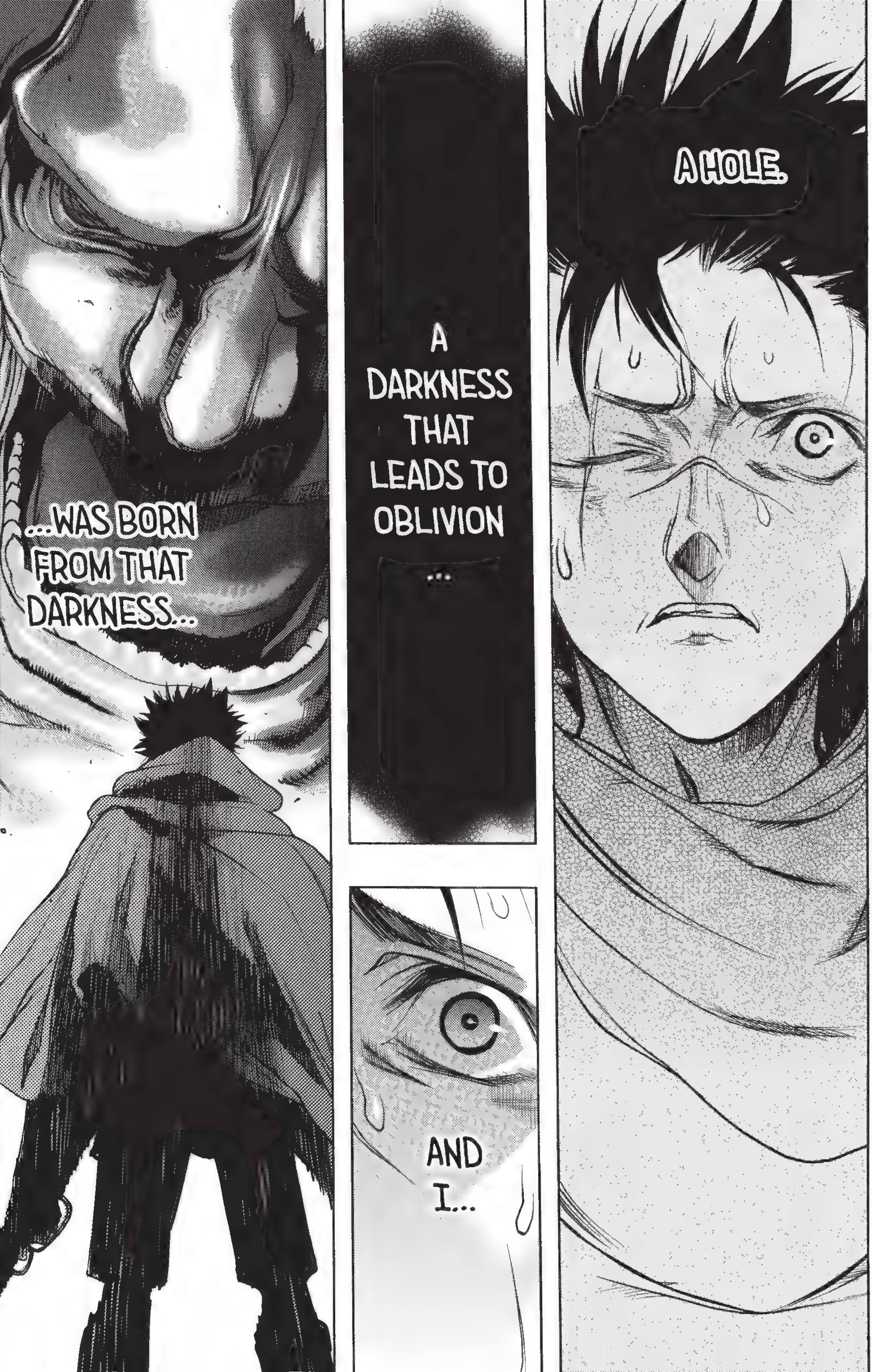
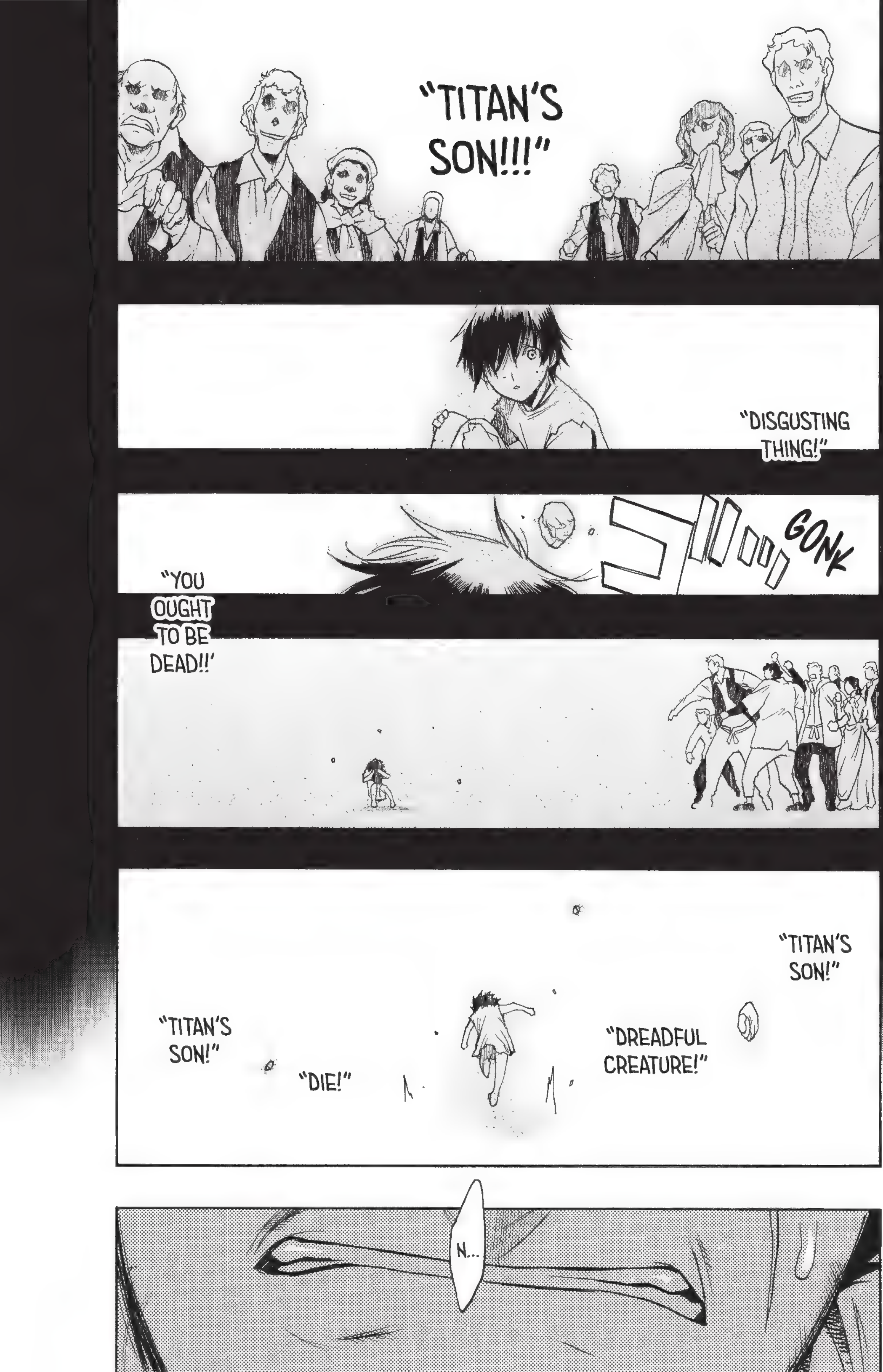
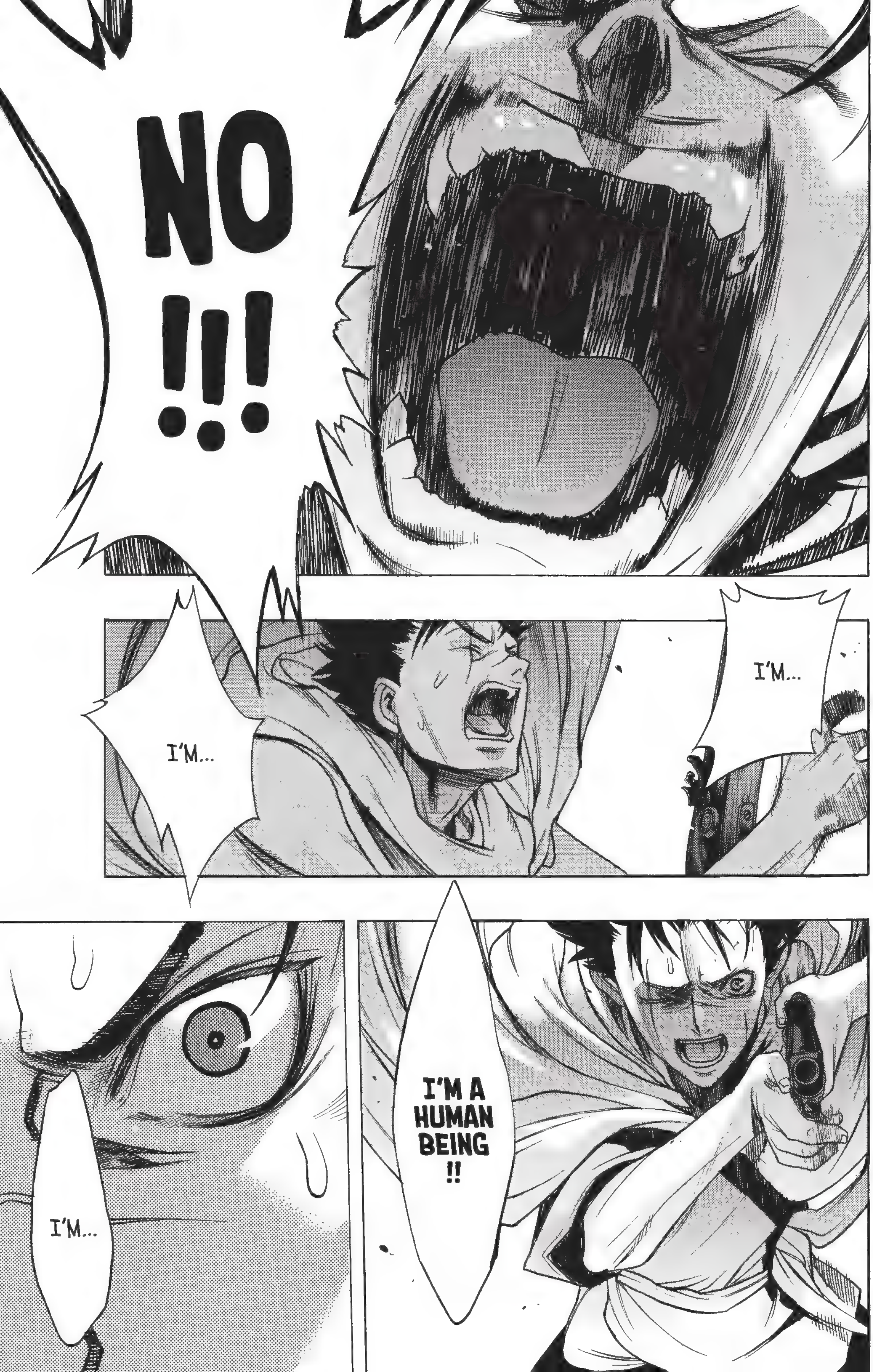
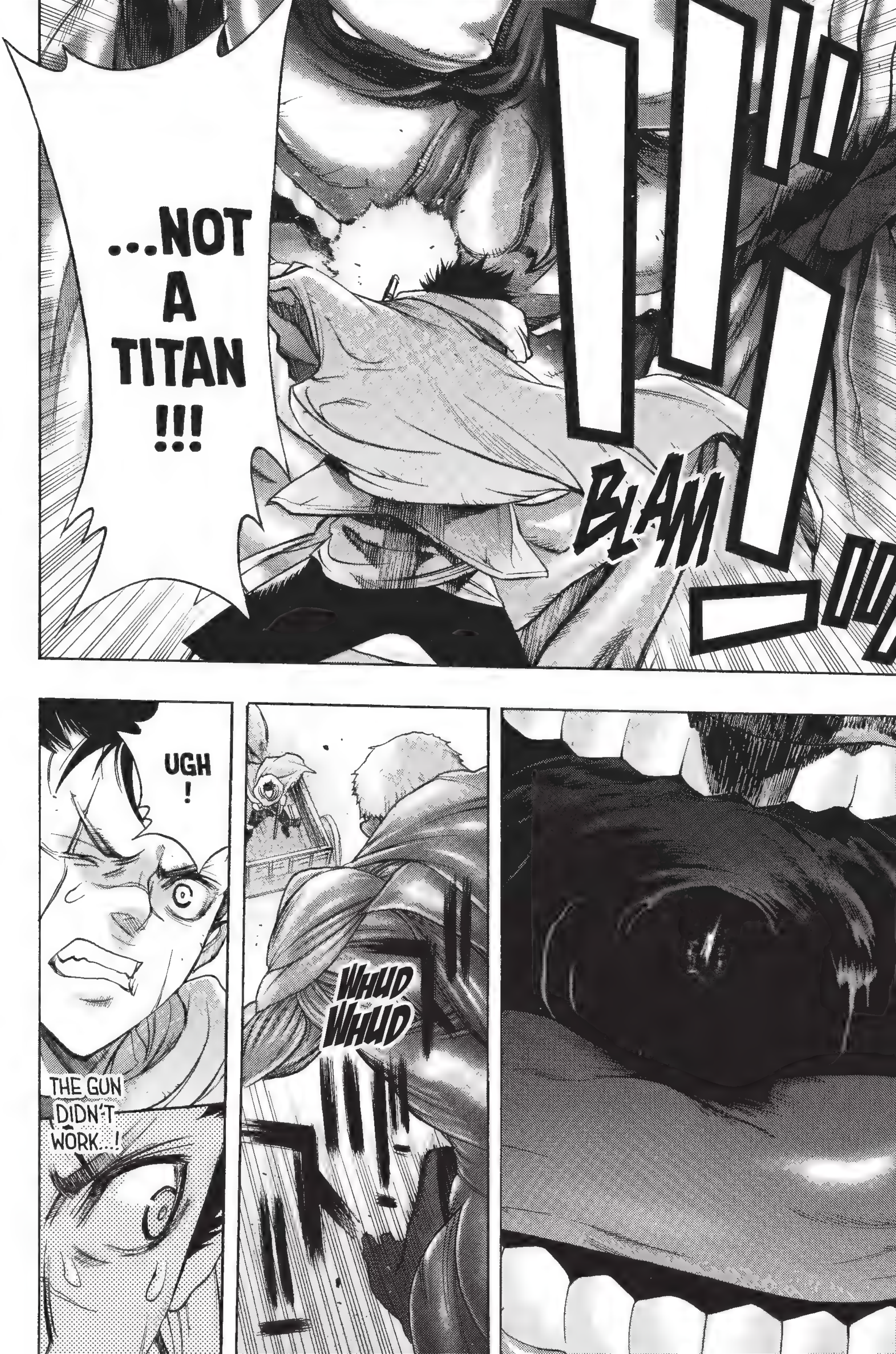
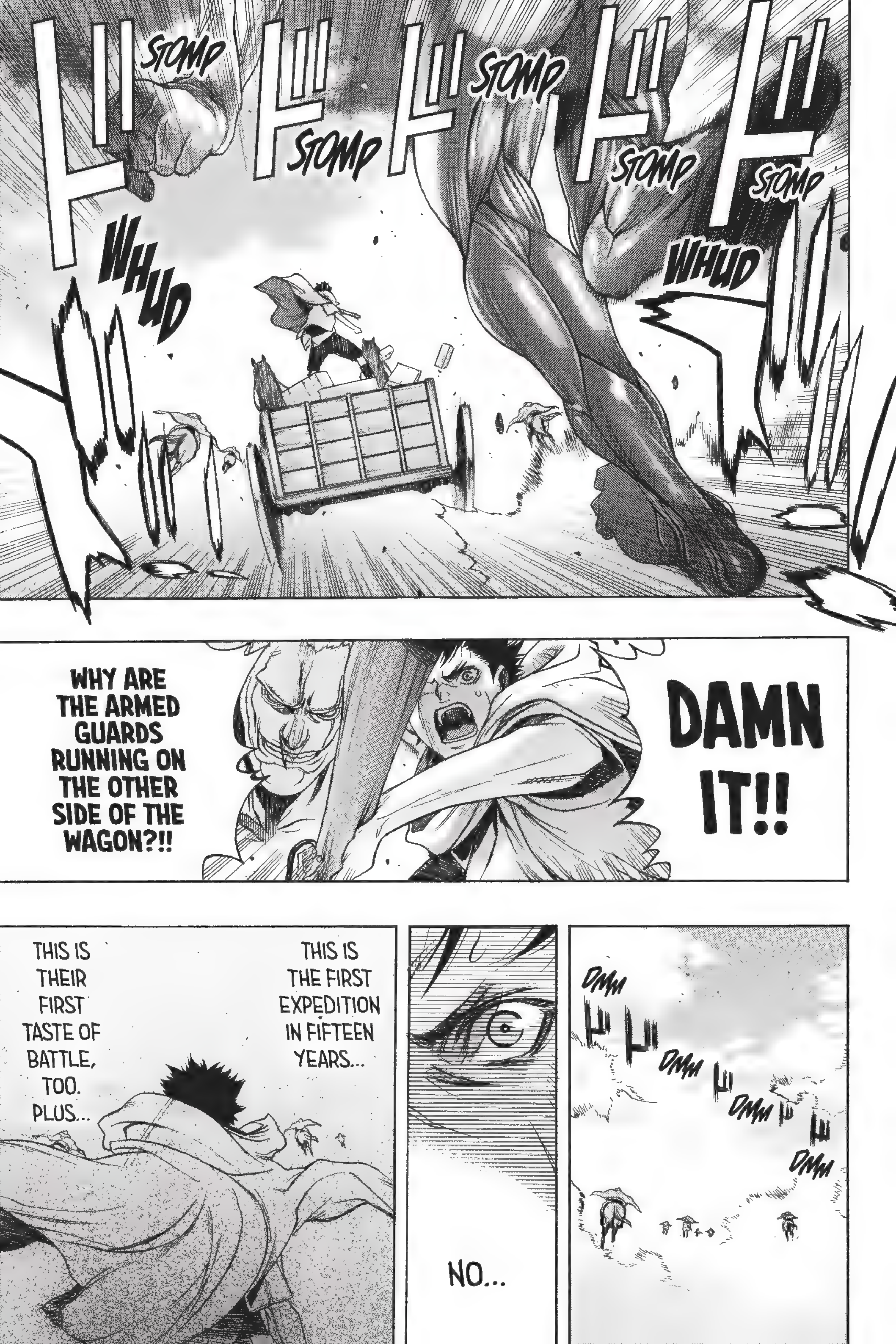

AS THOUGH THAT MOUTH EVOLVED JUST TO EAT HUMAN BEINGS...

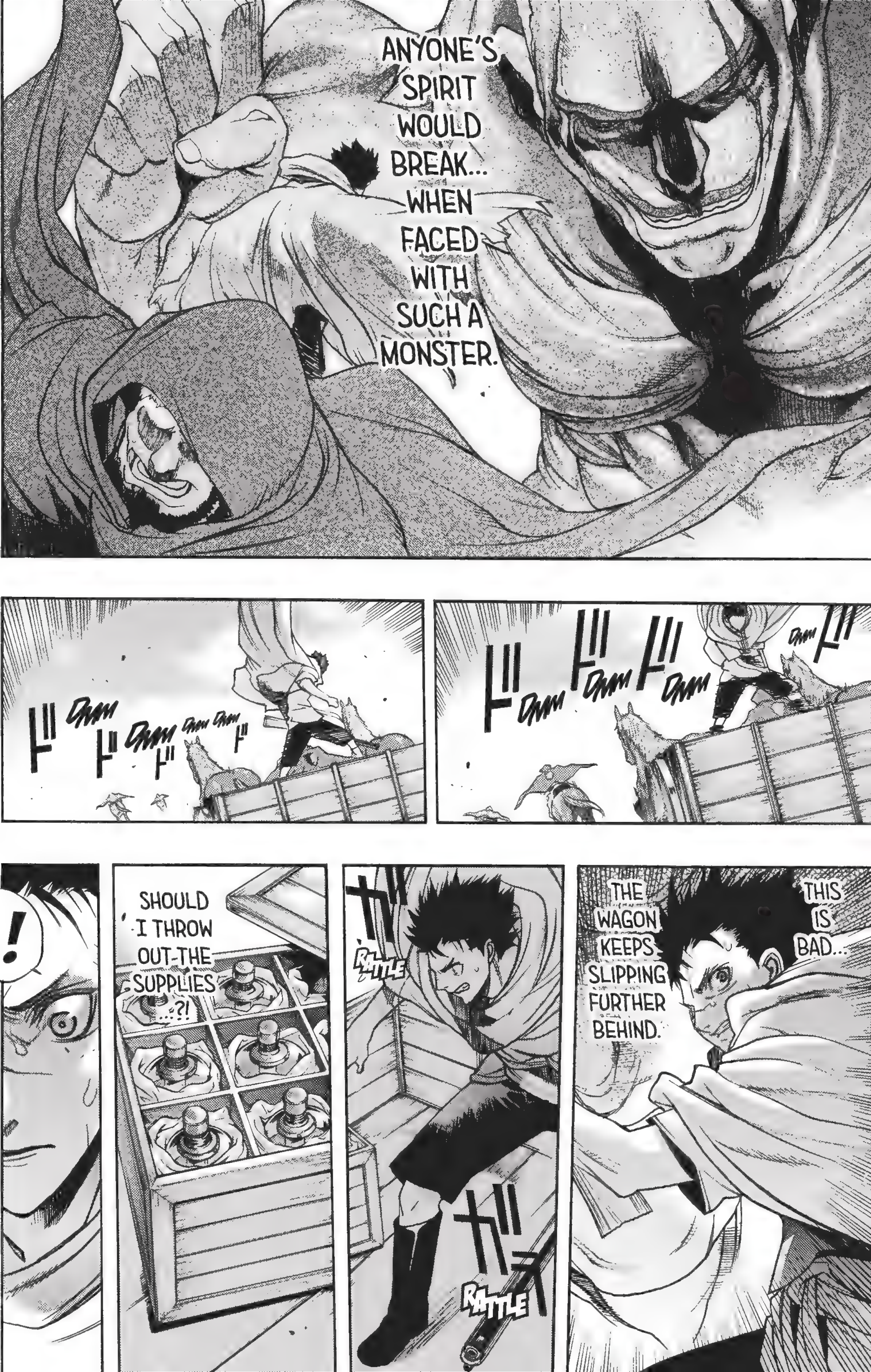

A HOLE.
A DARKNESS THAT LEADS TO OBLIVION
...
AND I...
...WAS BORN FROM THAT DARKNESS...

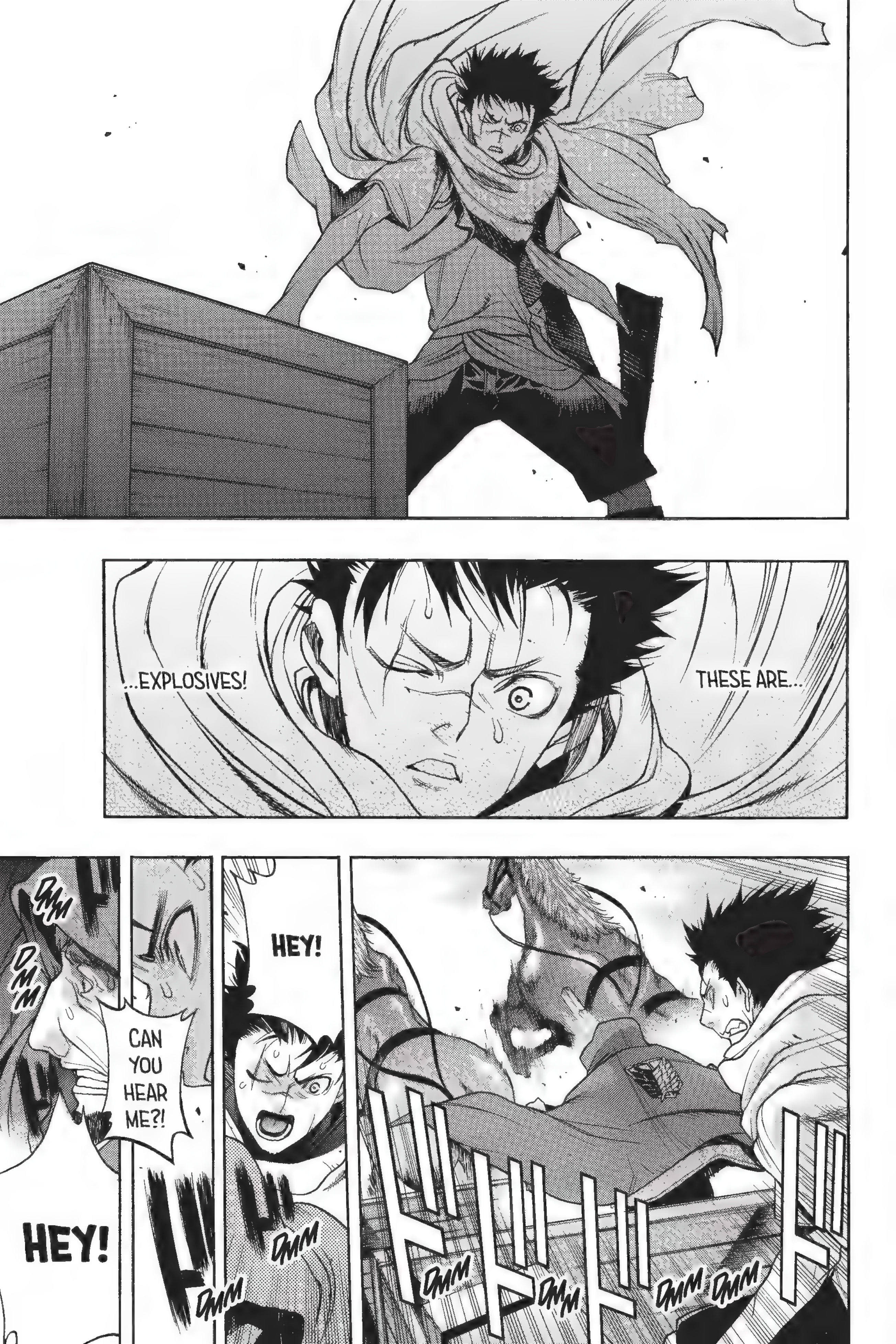

"TITAN'S SON!!!"
"DISGUSTING THING!"
GONK
"YOU OUGHT TO BE DEAD!!'
"TITAN'S SON!"
"DREADFUL CREATURE!"
"DIE!"
"TITAN'S SON!"
N...

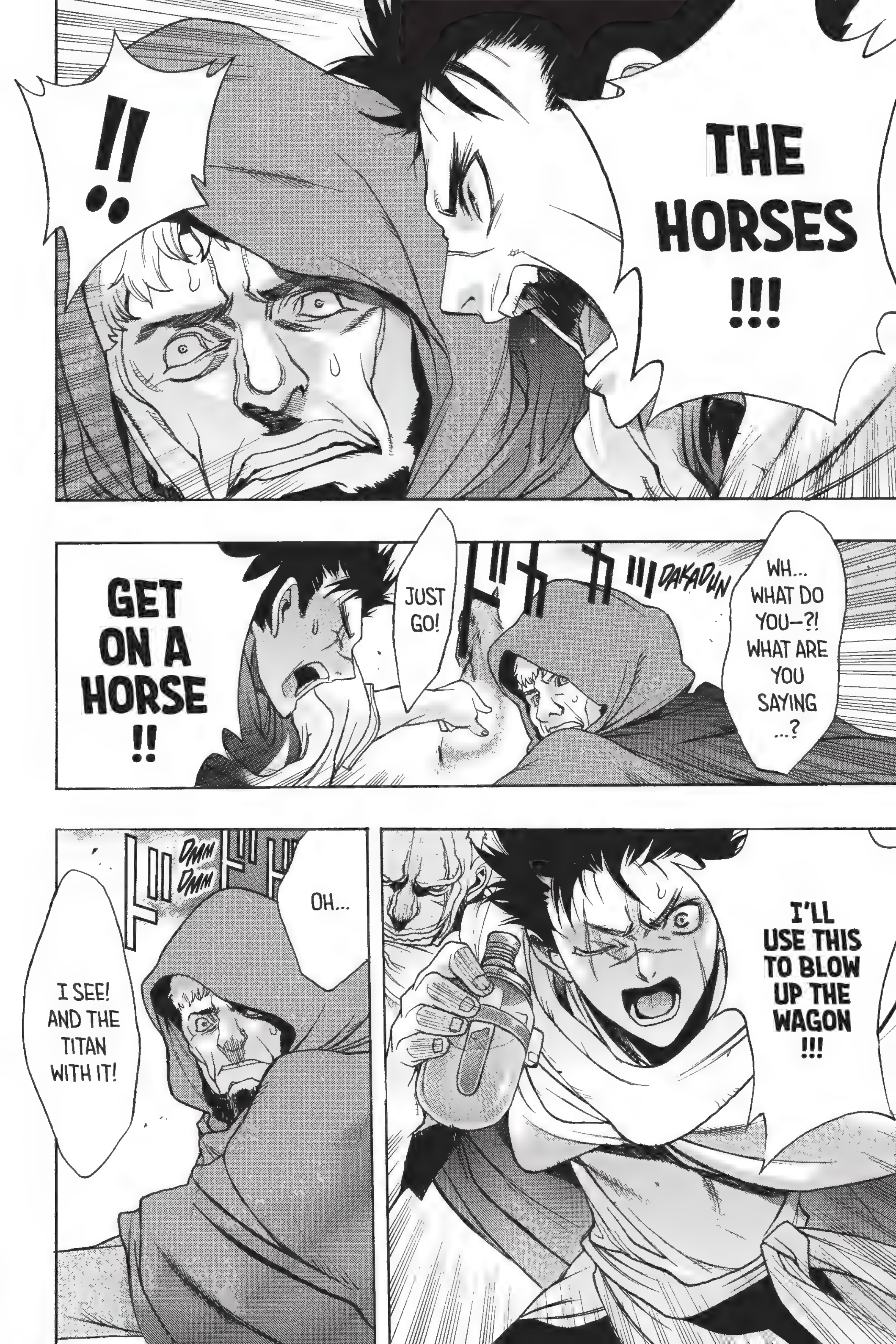

NO!!!
I'M...
I'M...
I'M...
I'M A HUMAN BEING!!

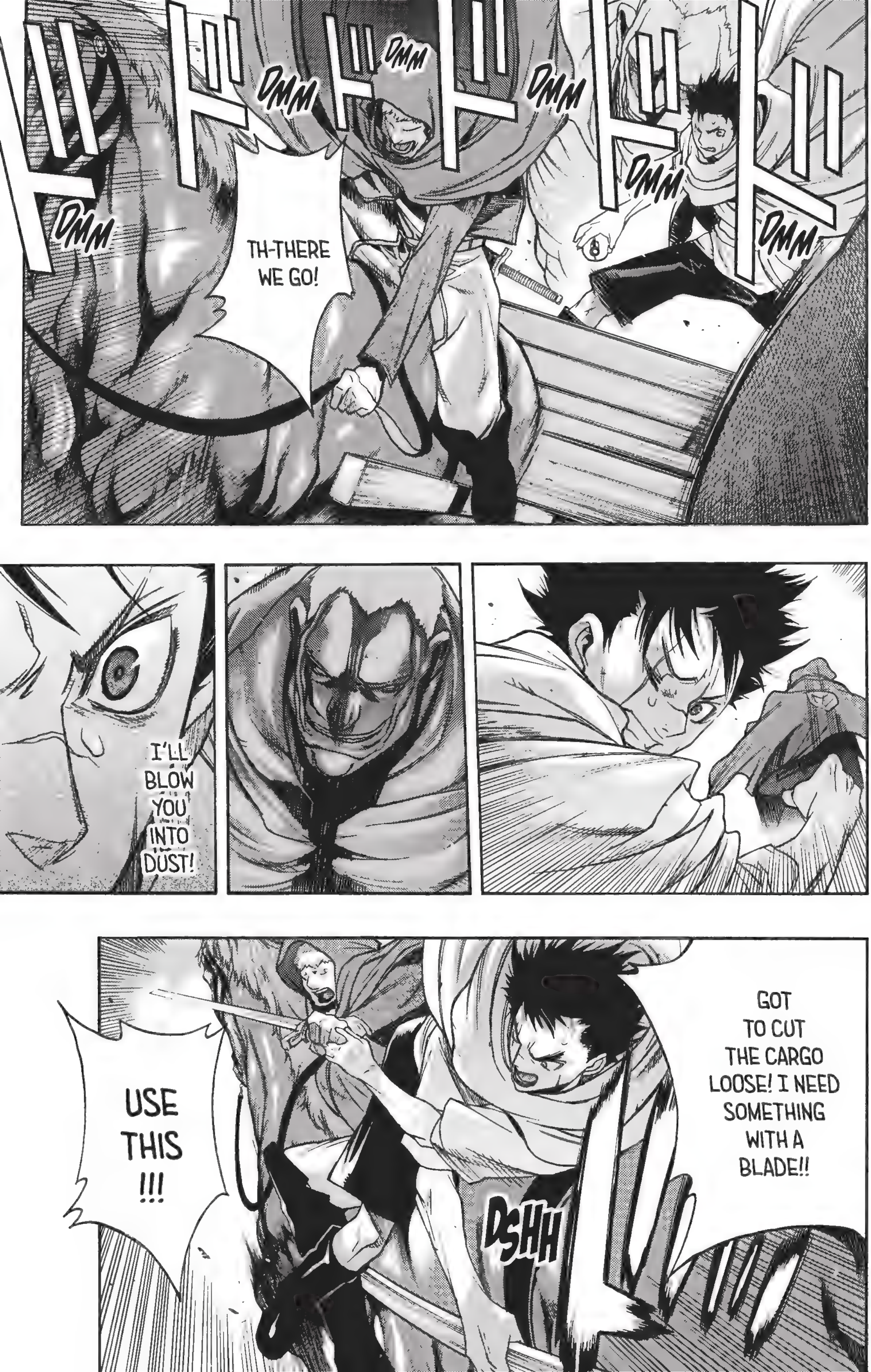

...NOT A TITAN!!!
BLAM
WHUD WHUD
UGH!
THE GUN DIDN'T WORK...!

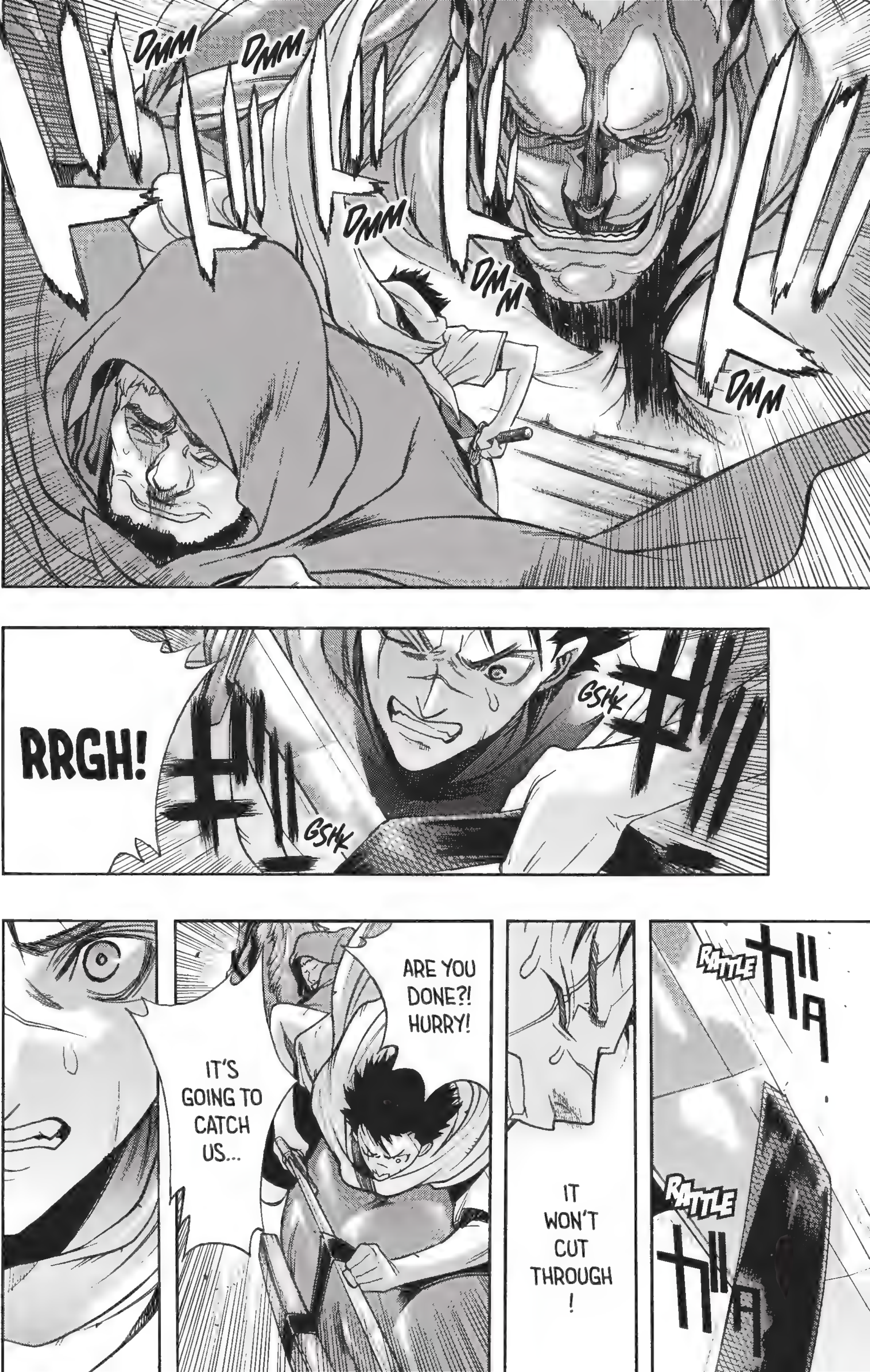

STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
WHUD
WHUD
DAMN IT!!
WHY ARE THE ARMED GUARDS RUNNING ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE WAGON?!!
DMM
DMM
DMM
DMM
NO...
THIS IS THE FIRST EXPEDITION IN FIFTEEN YEARS...
THIS IS THEIR FIRST TASTE OF BATTLE, TOO. PLUS...

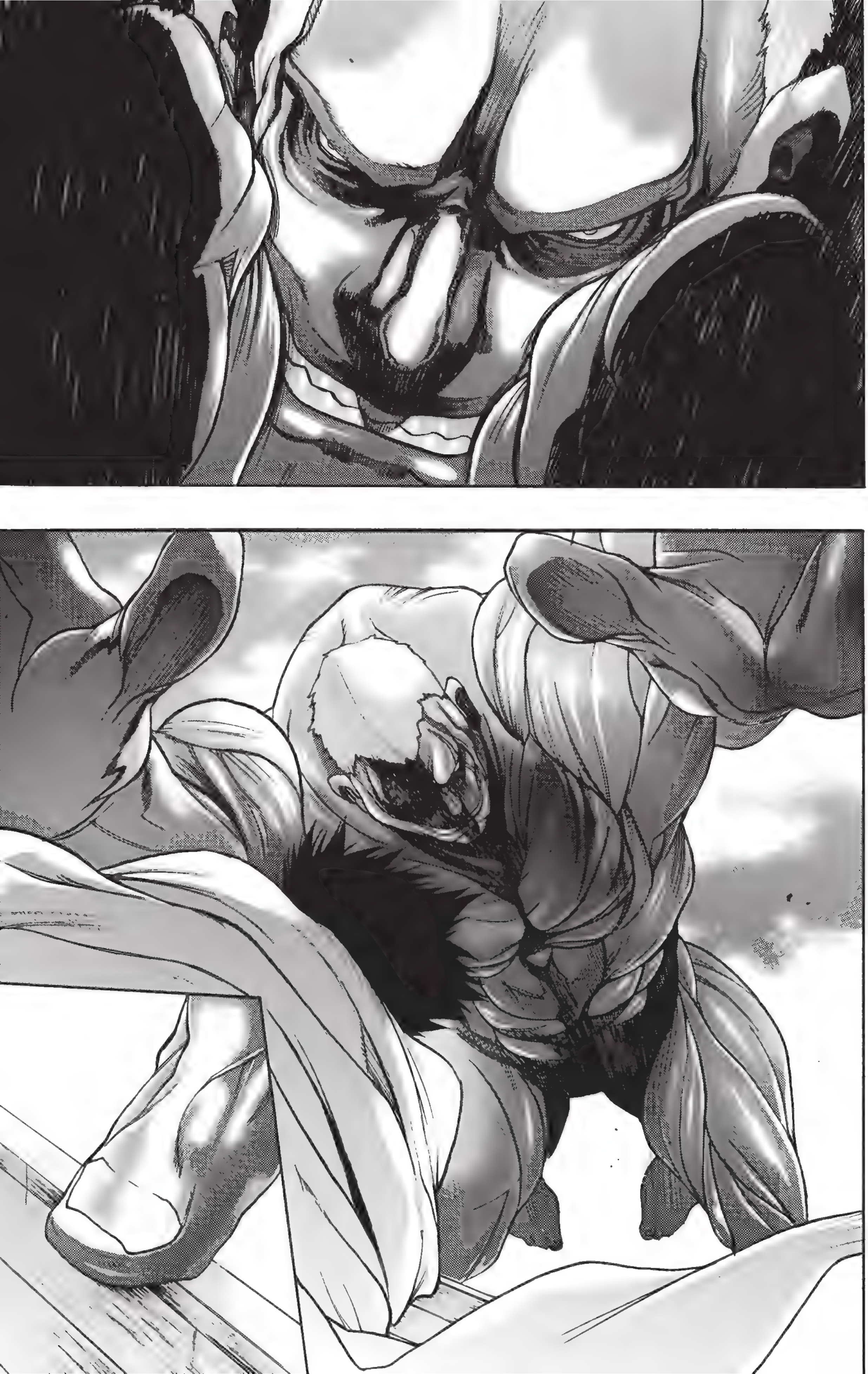

ANYONE'S SPIRIT WOULD BREAK... WHEN FACED WITH SUCH A MONSTER.
DRM DRM DRM DRM
DRM DRM DRM DRM DRM
THIS IS BAD...
THE WAGON KEEPS SLIPPING FURTHER BEHIND.
RATTLE
RATTLE
SHOULD I THROW OUT THE SUPPLIES...?!
!

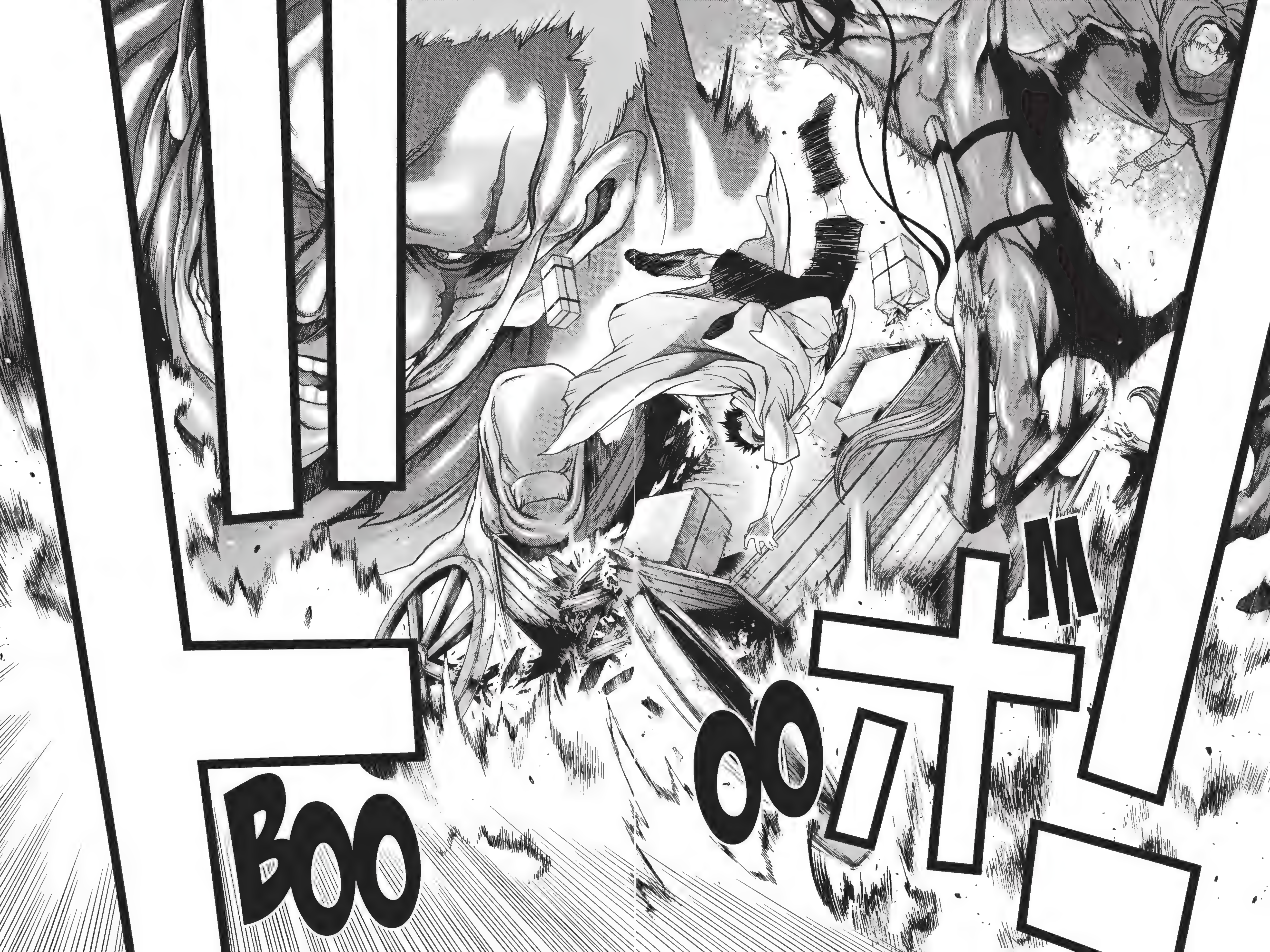

THESE ARE...
...EXPLOSIVES!
DMM DMM DMM DMM DMM
HEY!
CAN YOU HEAR ME?!
HEY!
DMM DMM DMM DMM DMM

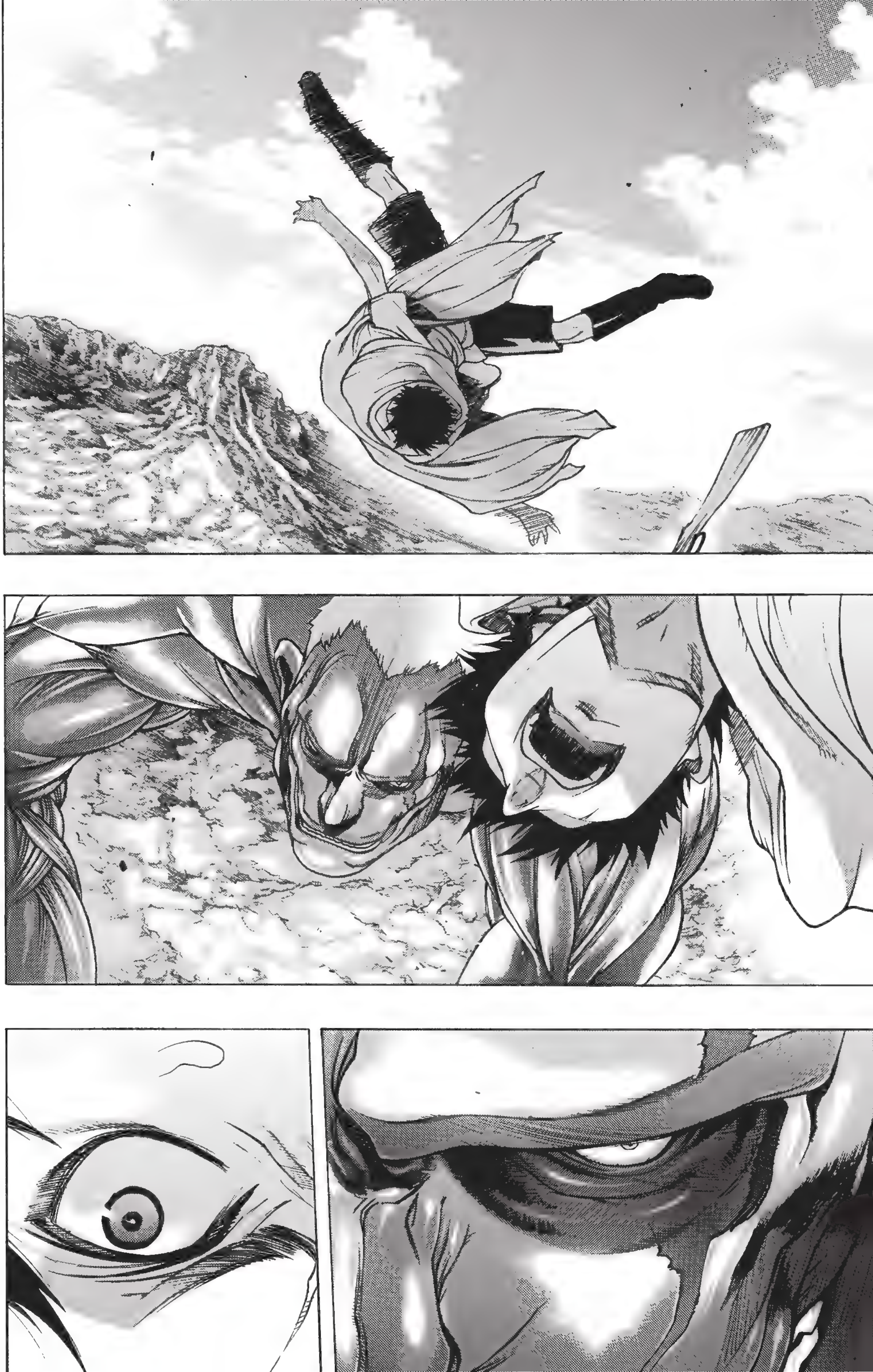

THE HORSES!!!
!!
WH... WHAT DO YOU—?! WHAT ARE YOU SAYING...?
DAKADUN
JUST GO!
GET ON A HORSE!!
I'LL USE THIS TO BLOW UP THE WAGON!!!
OH...
DMM DMM
I SEE! AND THE TITAN WITH IT!

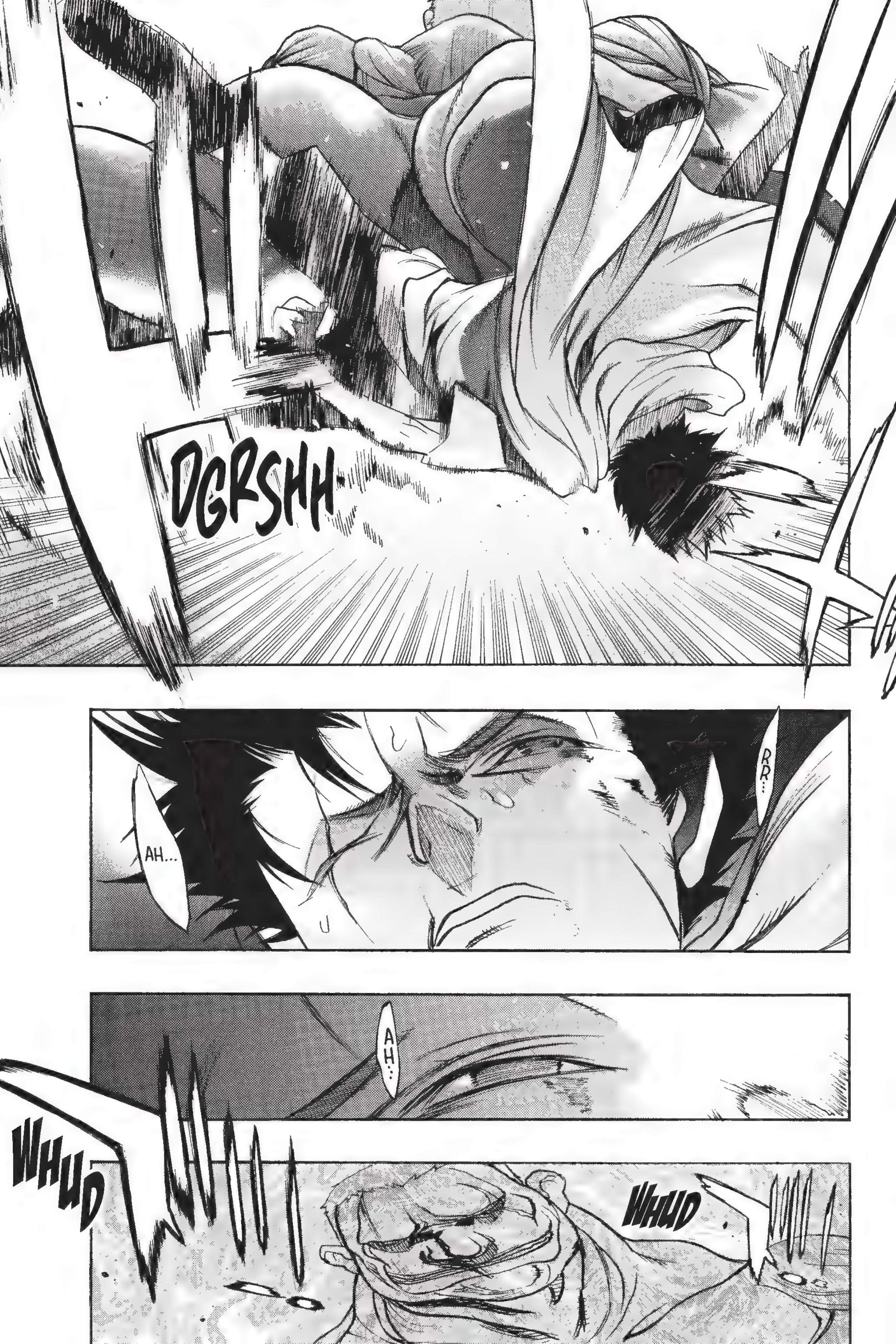

DMM
DMM
DMM
DMM
DMM
DMM
TH-THERE WE GO!
I'LL BLOW YOU INTO DUST!
GOT TO CUT THE CARGO LOOSE! I NEED SOMETHING WITH A BLADE!!
USE THIS!!!
DSHH

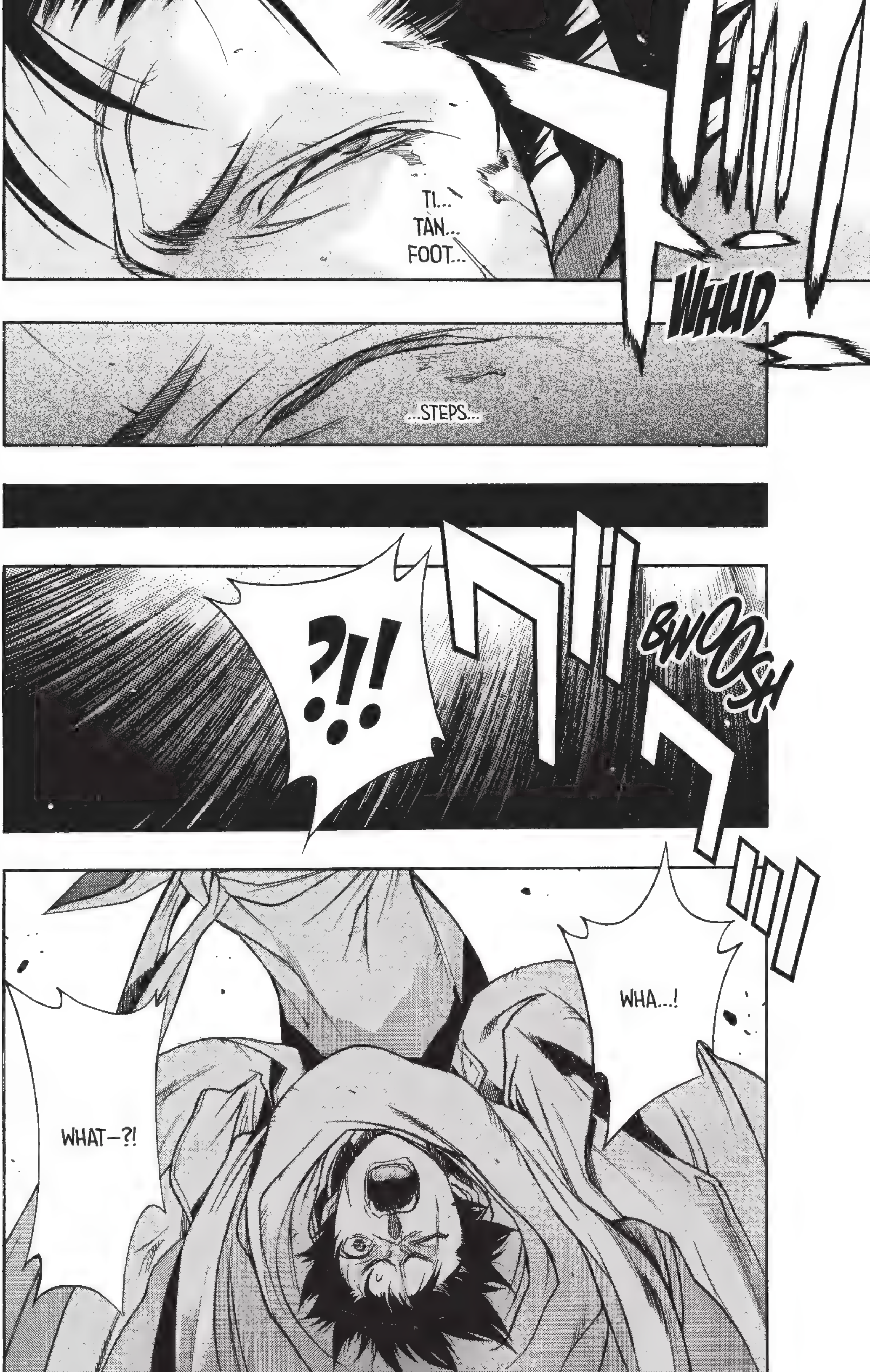

DMM
DMM
DMM
DMM
DMM
DMM
GSHK
GSHK
RRGH!
RATTLE
RATTLE
IT WON'T CUT THROUGH!
ARE YOU DONE?! HURRY!
IT'S GOING TO CATCH US...

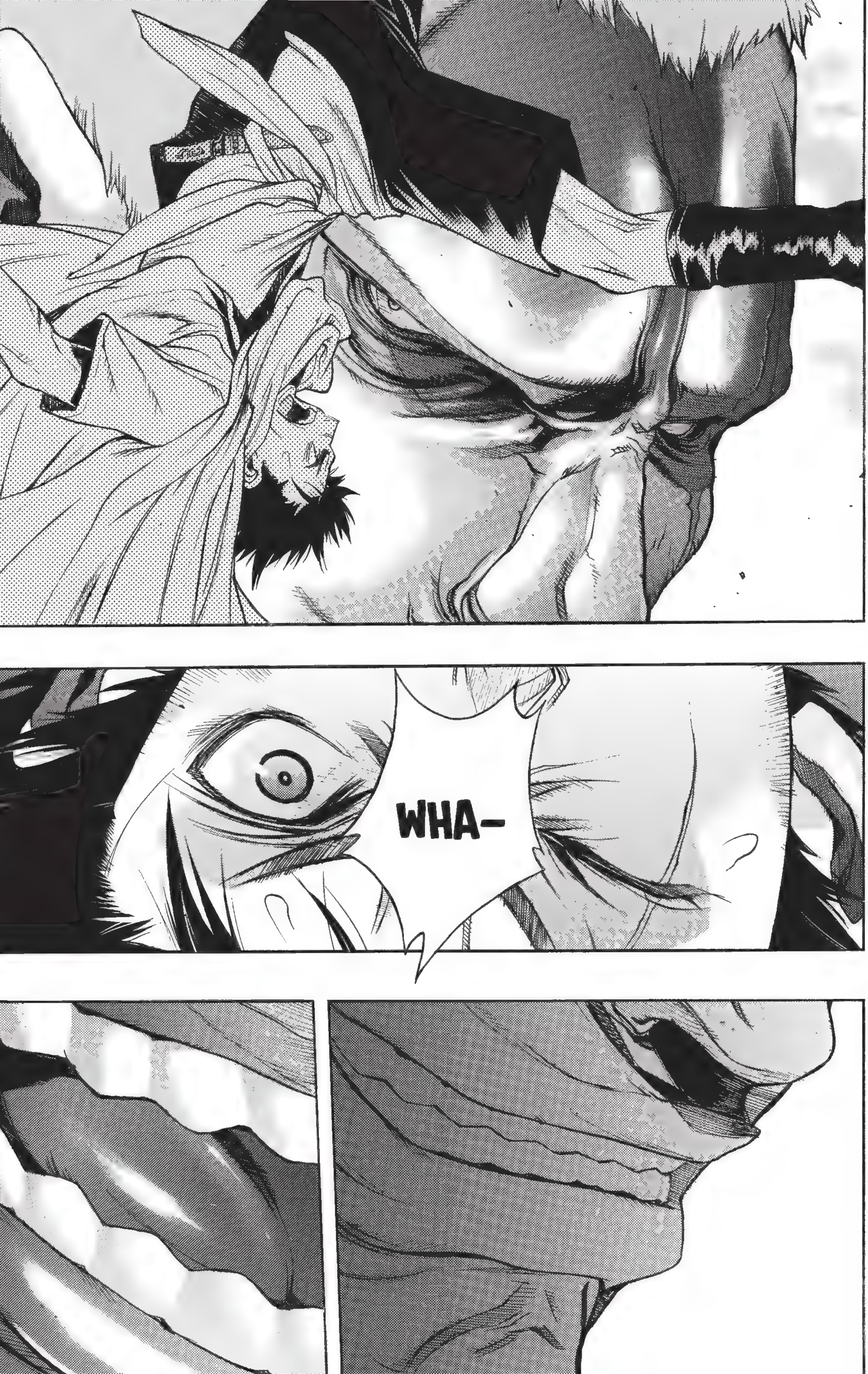


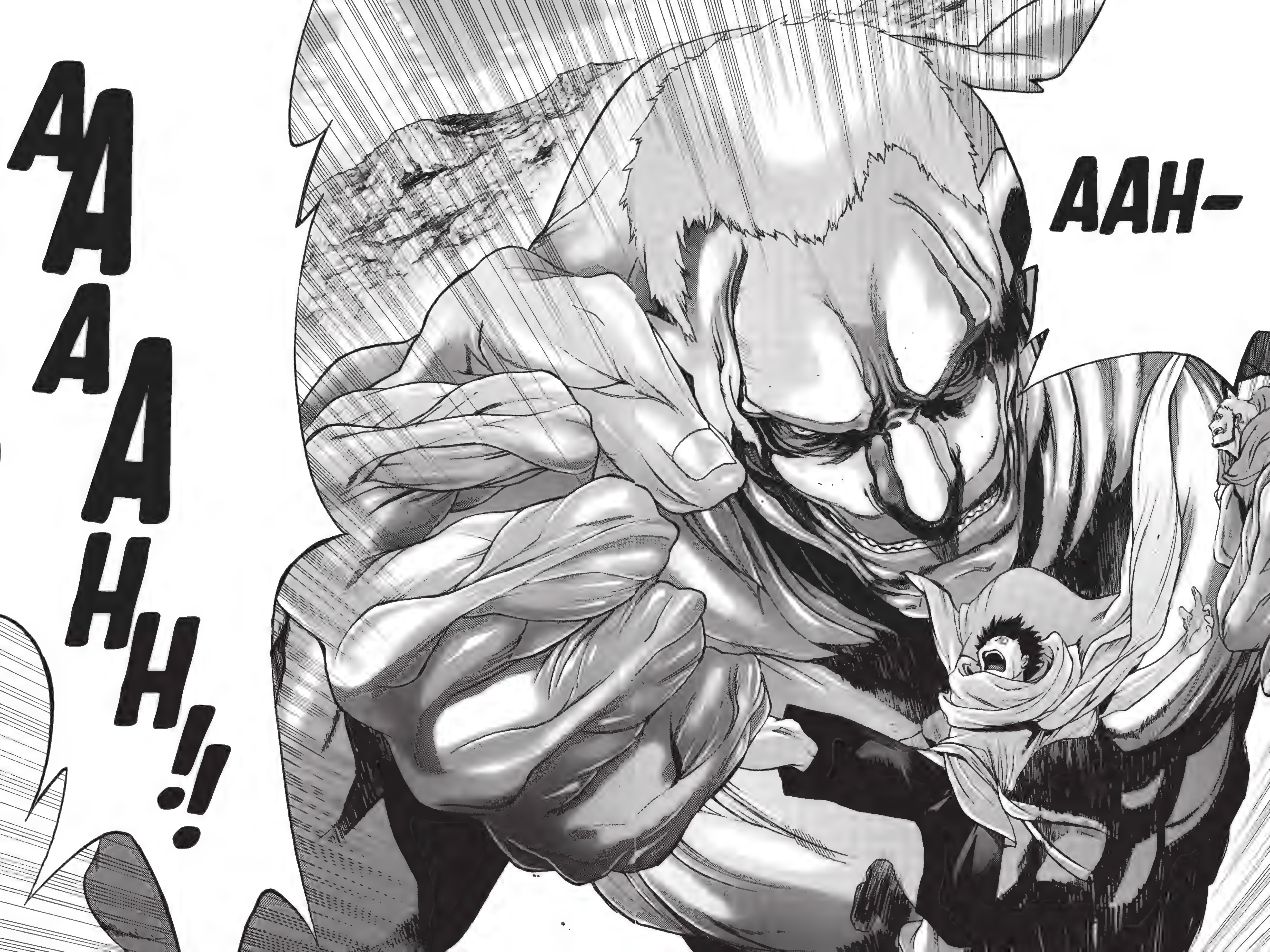

BOOOM!!

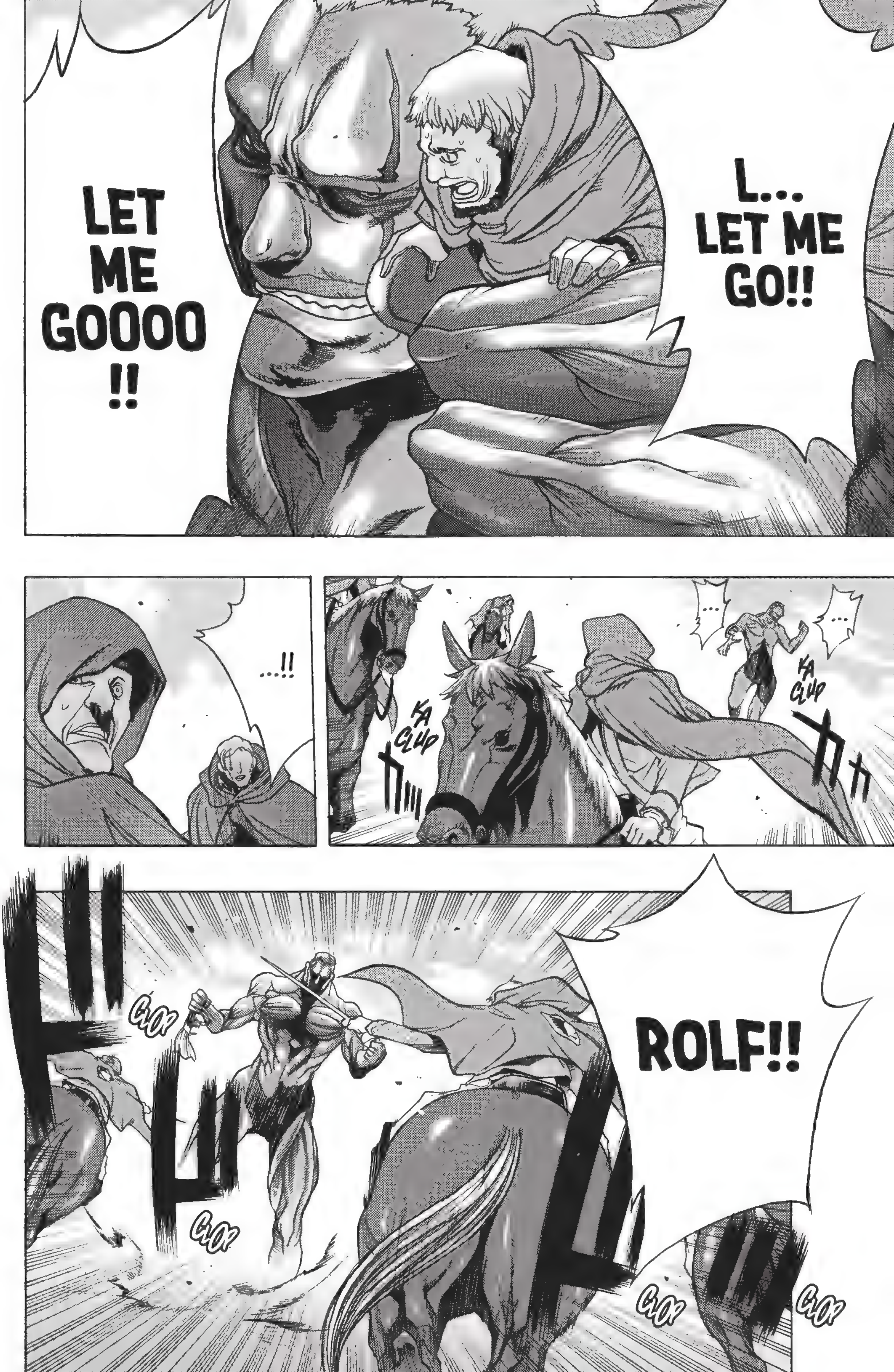


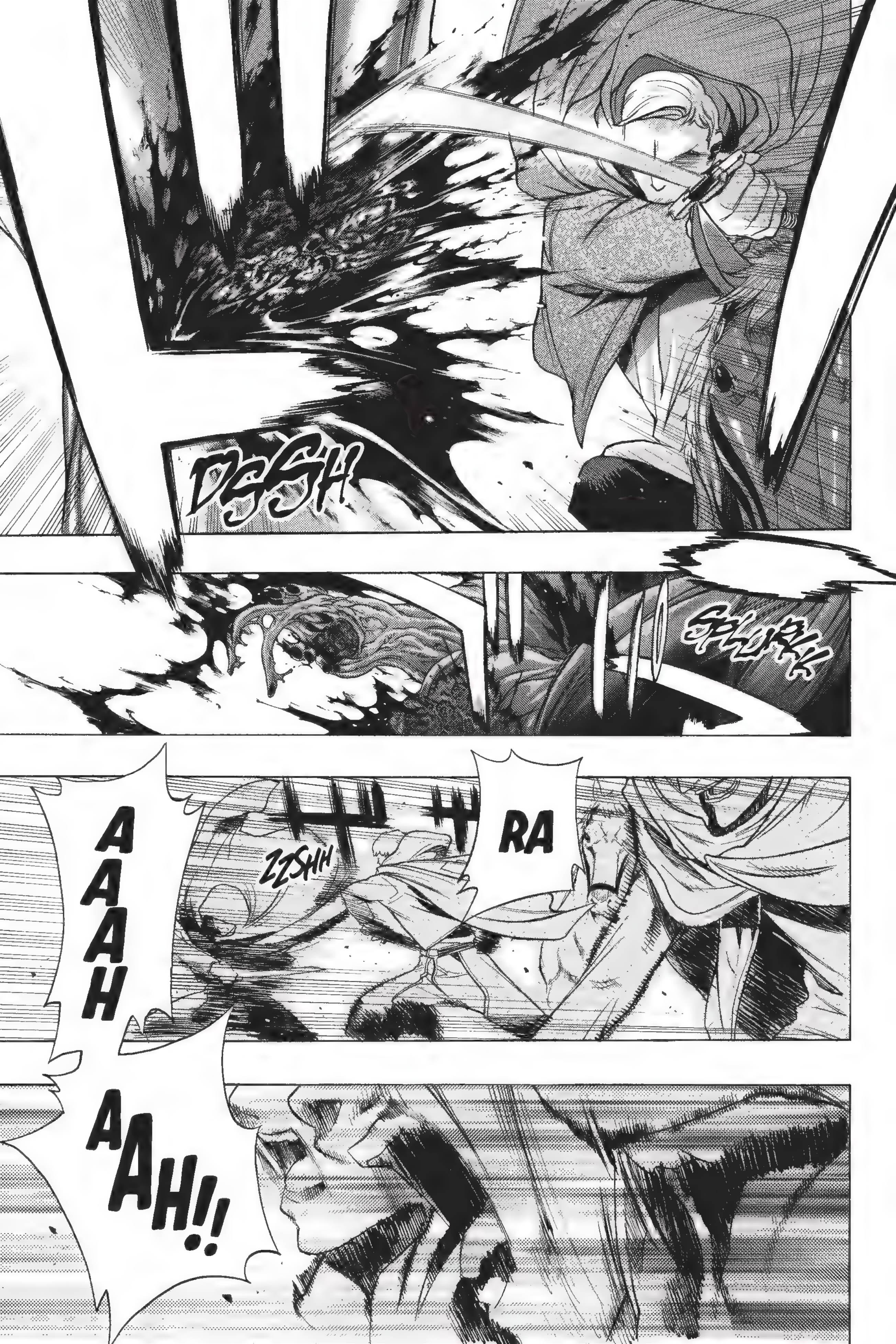

DGRSHH
RR...
AH...
AH...
WHUD
WHUD

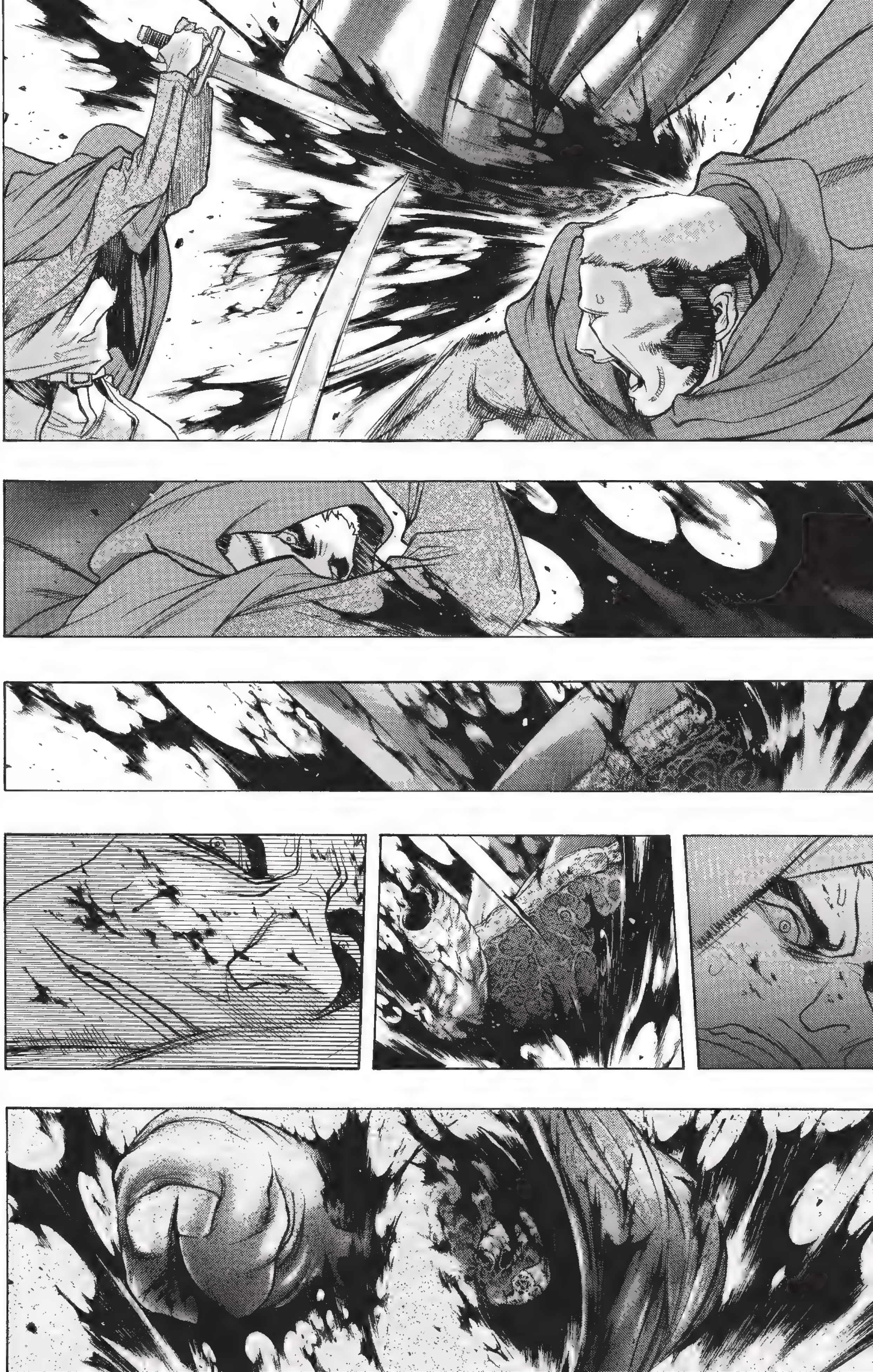

WHUD
TI... TAN... FOOT...
...STEPS...
BWOOOSH
?!!
WHA...!
WHAT–?!

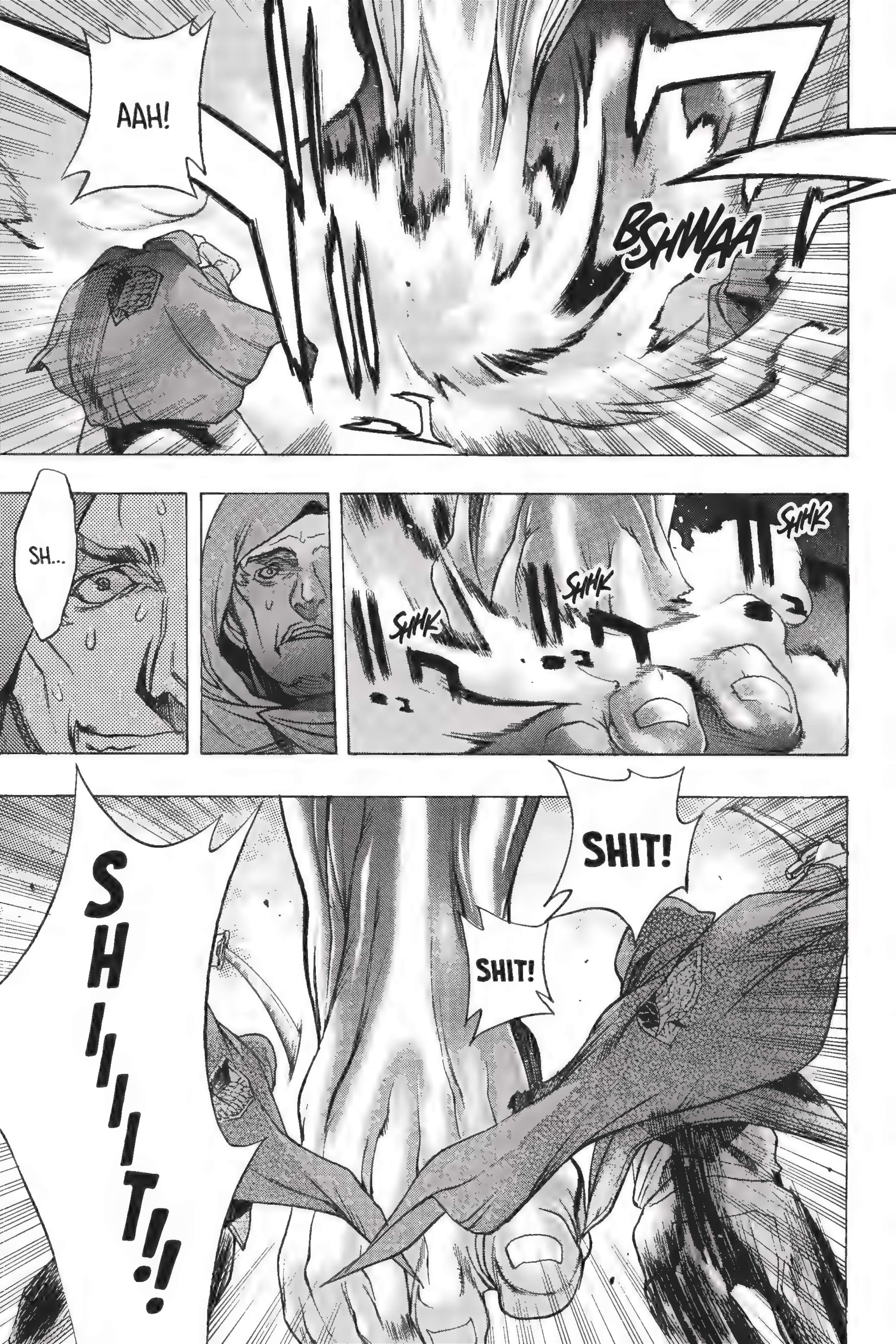

WHA-

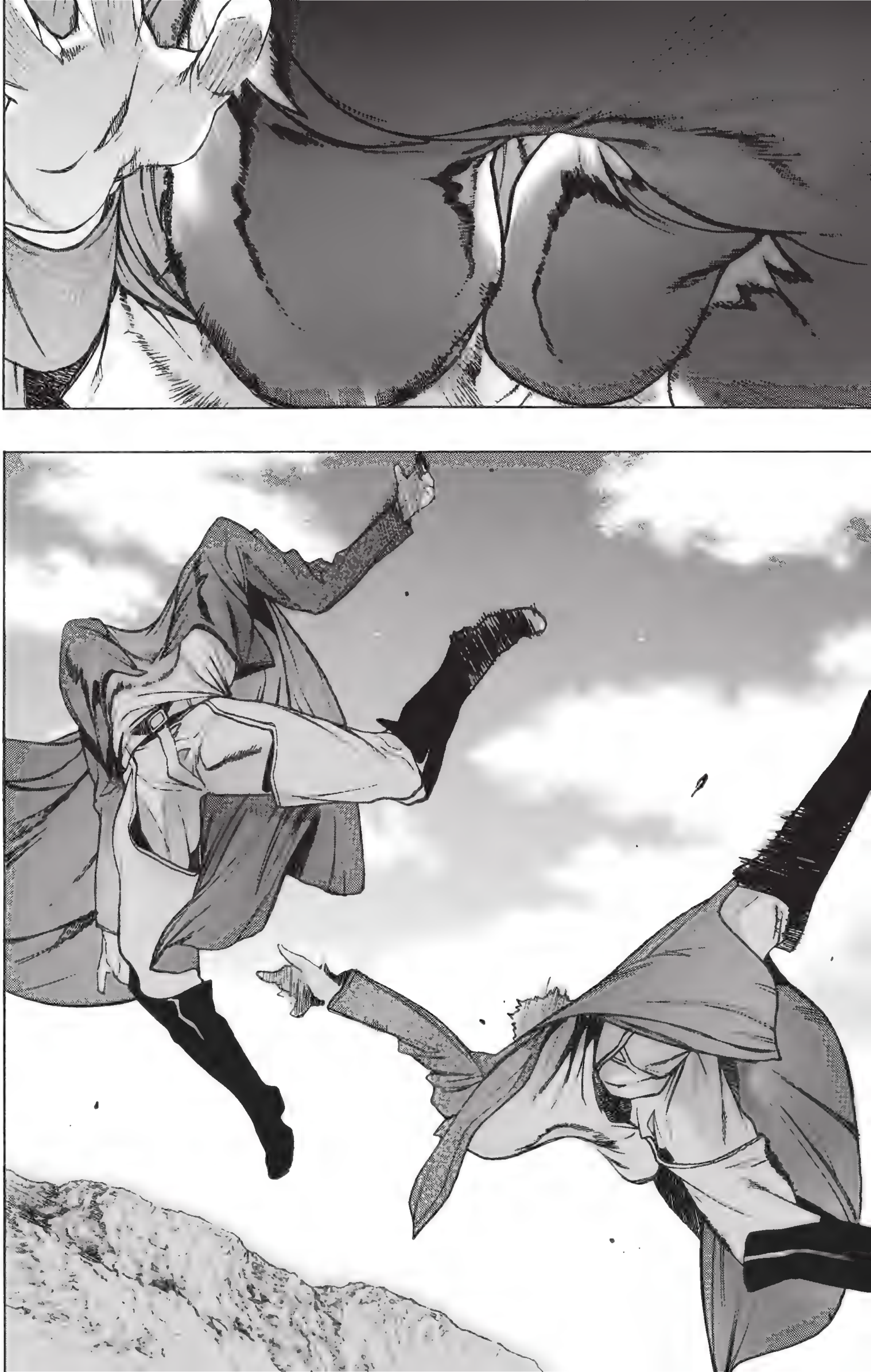

AAH-
AAAAHH!!

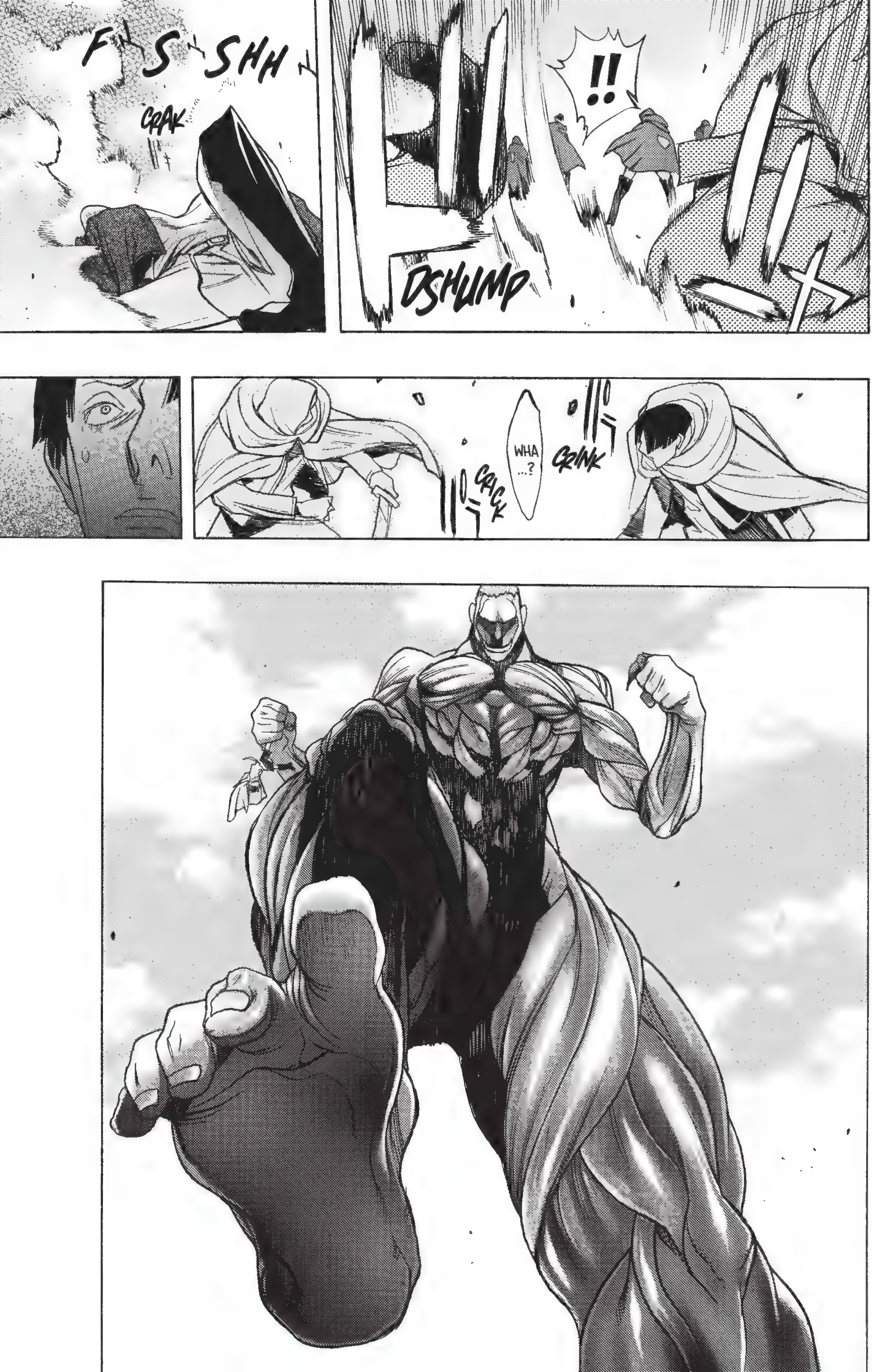

L... LET ME GO!!
LET ME GOOOO!!
...
...
KA CLUP
KA CLUP
...!!
ROLF!!
CLOP
CLOP
CLOP
CLOP

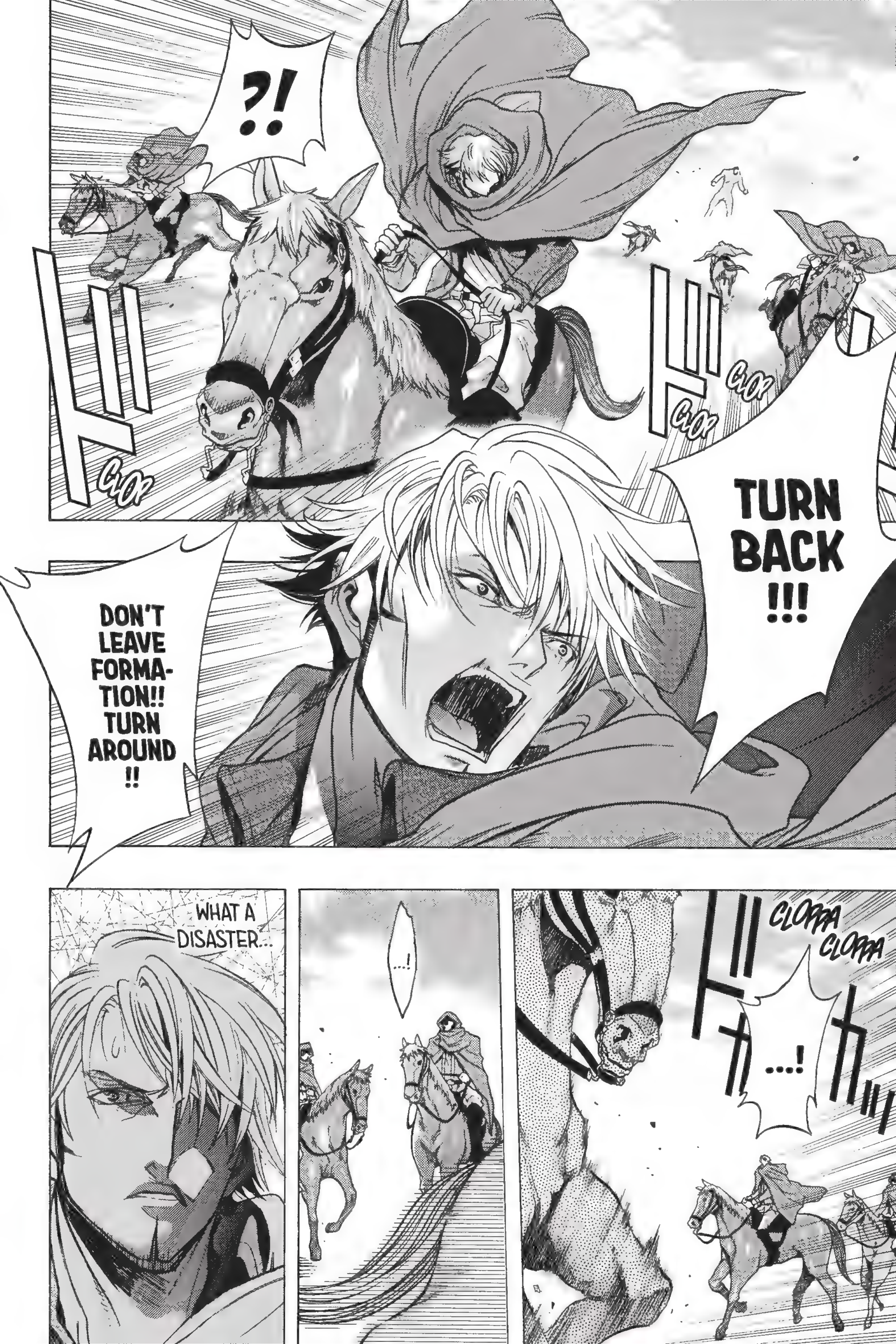

DGSH
SPLURK
RA
ZZSHH
AAAAH
AAH!!!

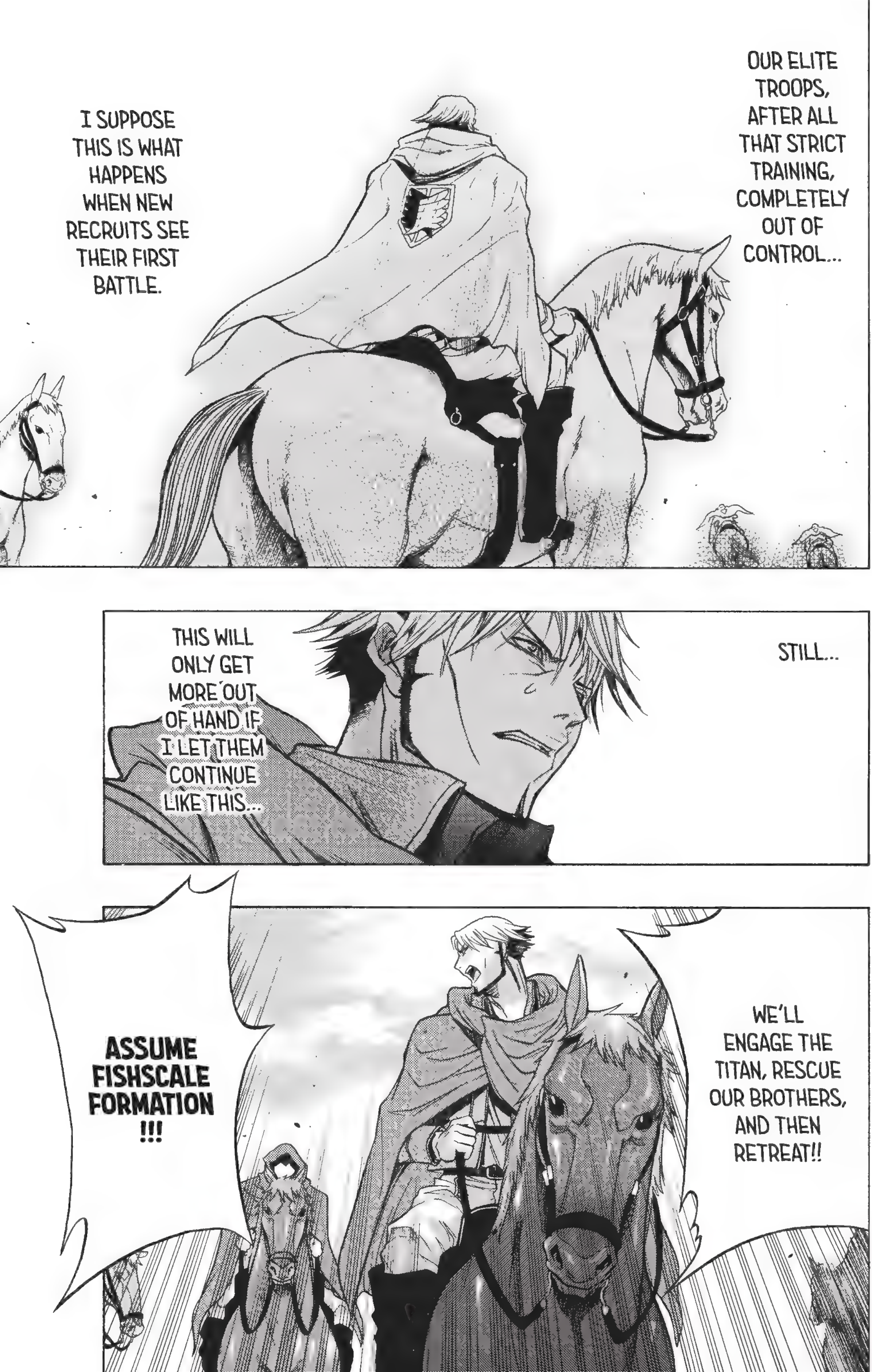


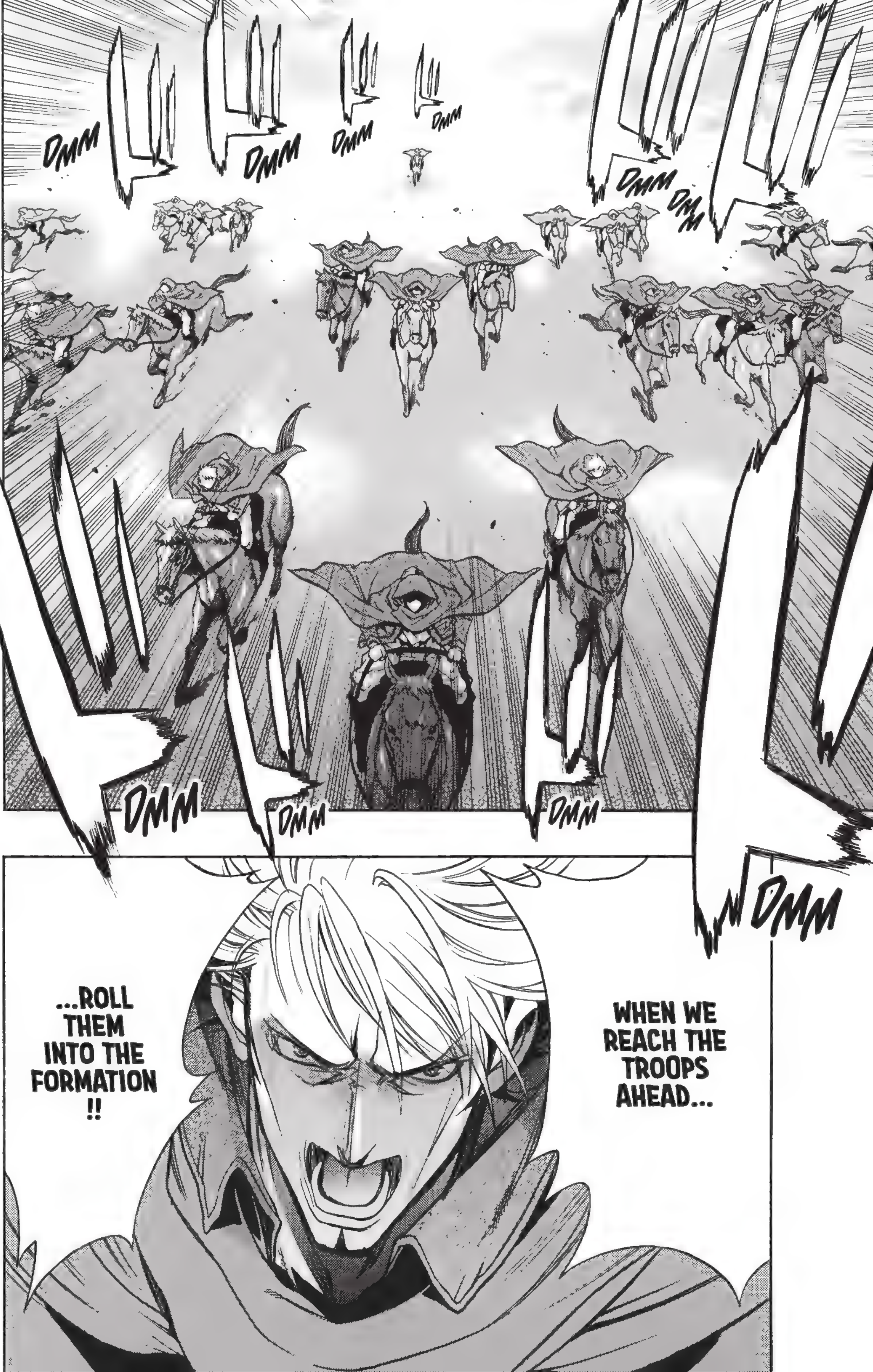

BSHWAA
AAH!
SHHK
SHHK
SHHK
SH...
SHIT!
SHIT!
SHIIIIIT!!




!!
DSHUMP
F S SHH
CRAK
CRINK
WHA ...?
CRACK


?!
CLOP
CLOP
CLOP
TURN BACK!!!
DON'T LEAVE FORMATION!! TURN AROUND!!
CLOPPA CLOPPA
...!
...!
WHAT A DISASTER...


OUR ELITE TROOPS, AFTER ALL THAT STRICT TRAINING, COMPLETELY OUT OF CONTROL...
I SUPPOSE THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS WHEN NEW RECRUITS SEE THEIR FIRST BATTLE.
STILL...
THIS WILL ONLY GET MORE OUT OF HAND IF I LET THEM CONTINUE LIKE THIS...
WE'LL ENGAGE THE TITAN, RESCUE OUR BROTHERS, AND THEN RETREAT!!
ASSUME FISHSCALE FORMATION!!!


DMM
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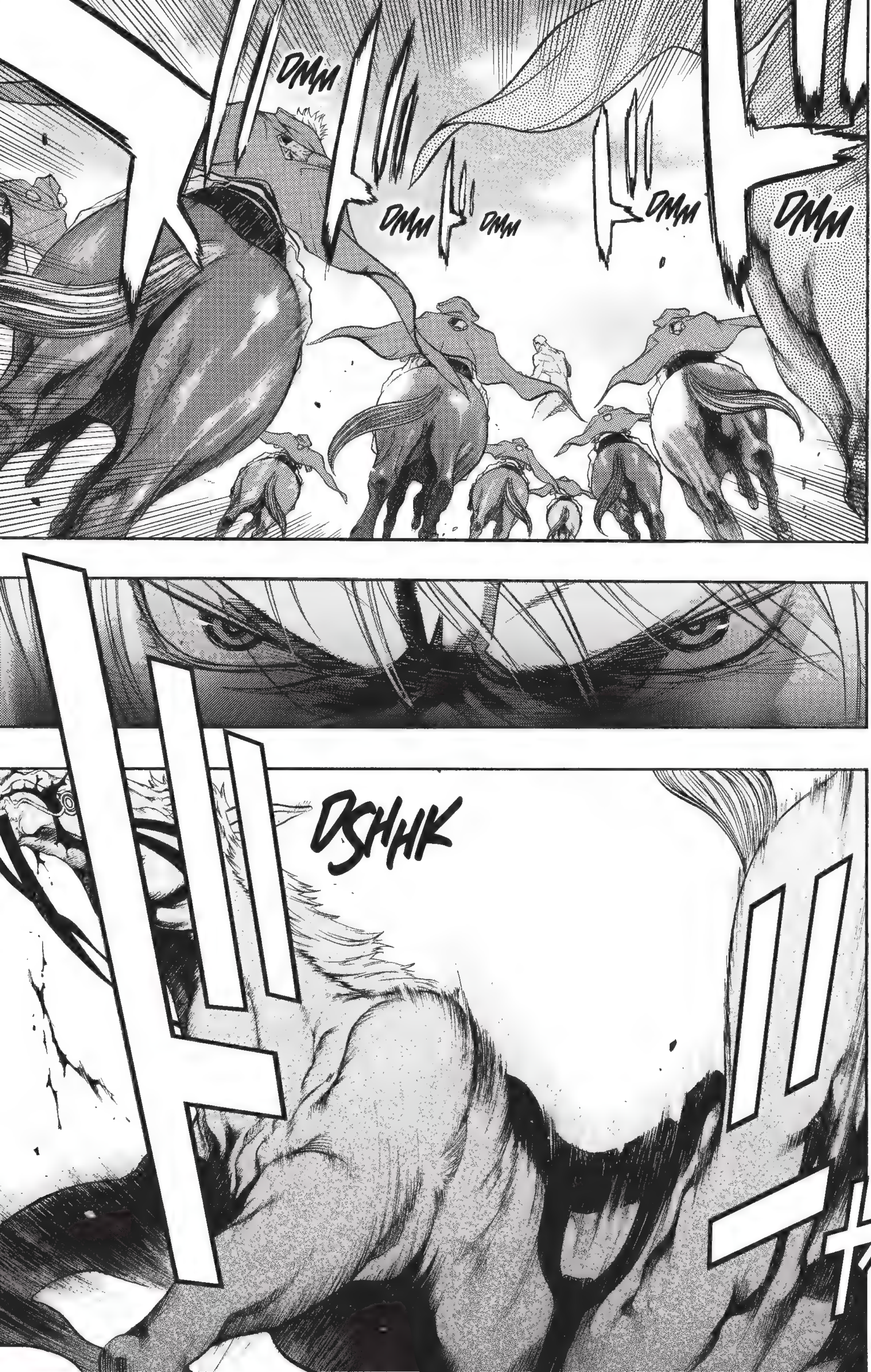
DMM
WHEN WE REACH THE TROOPS AHEAD...
...ROLL THEM INTO THE FORMATION !!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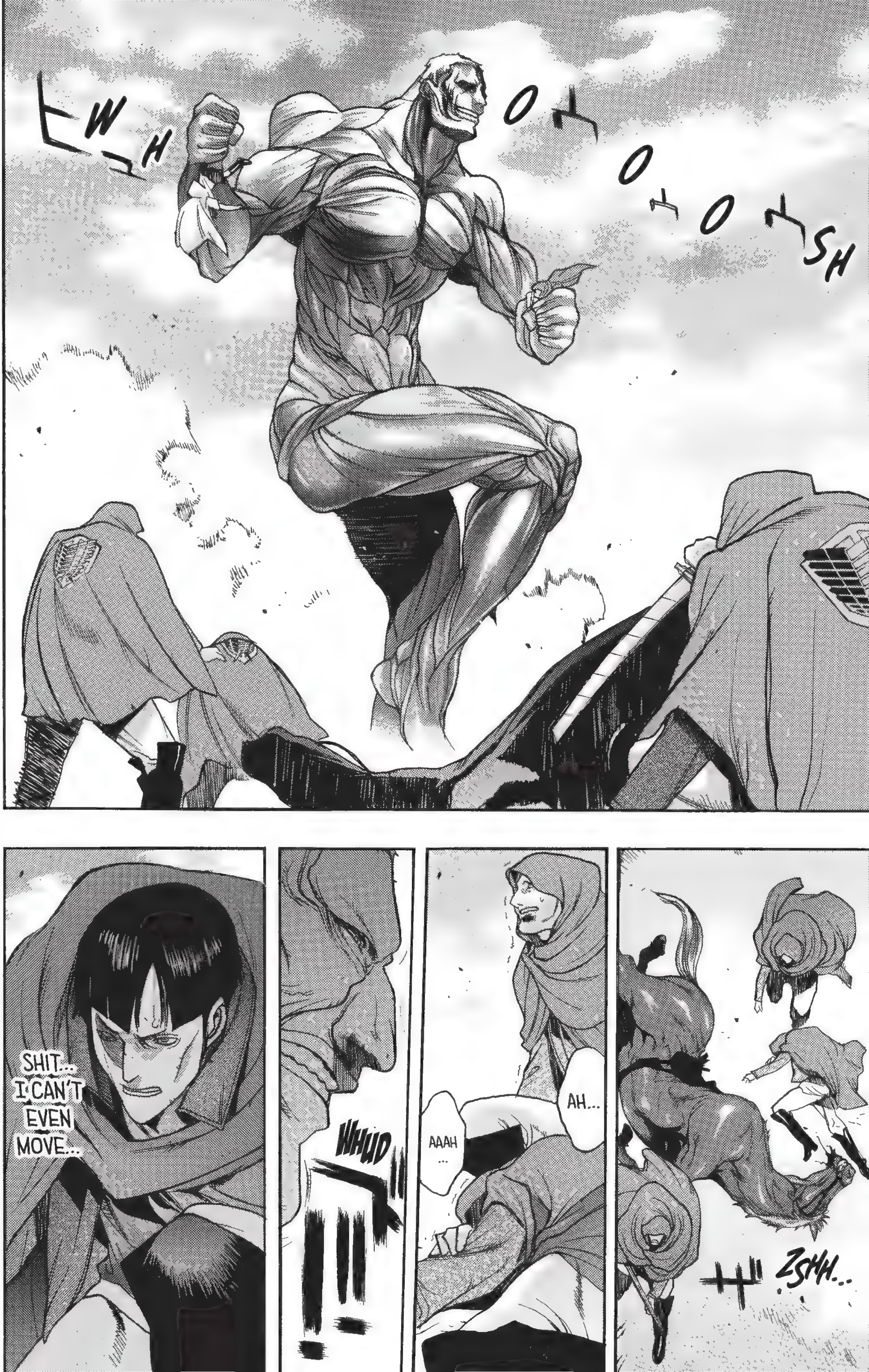
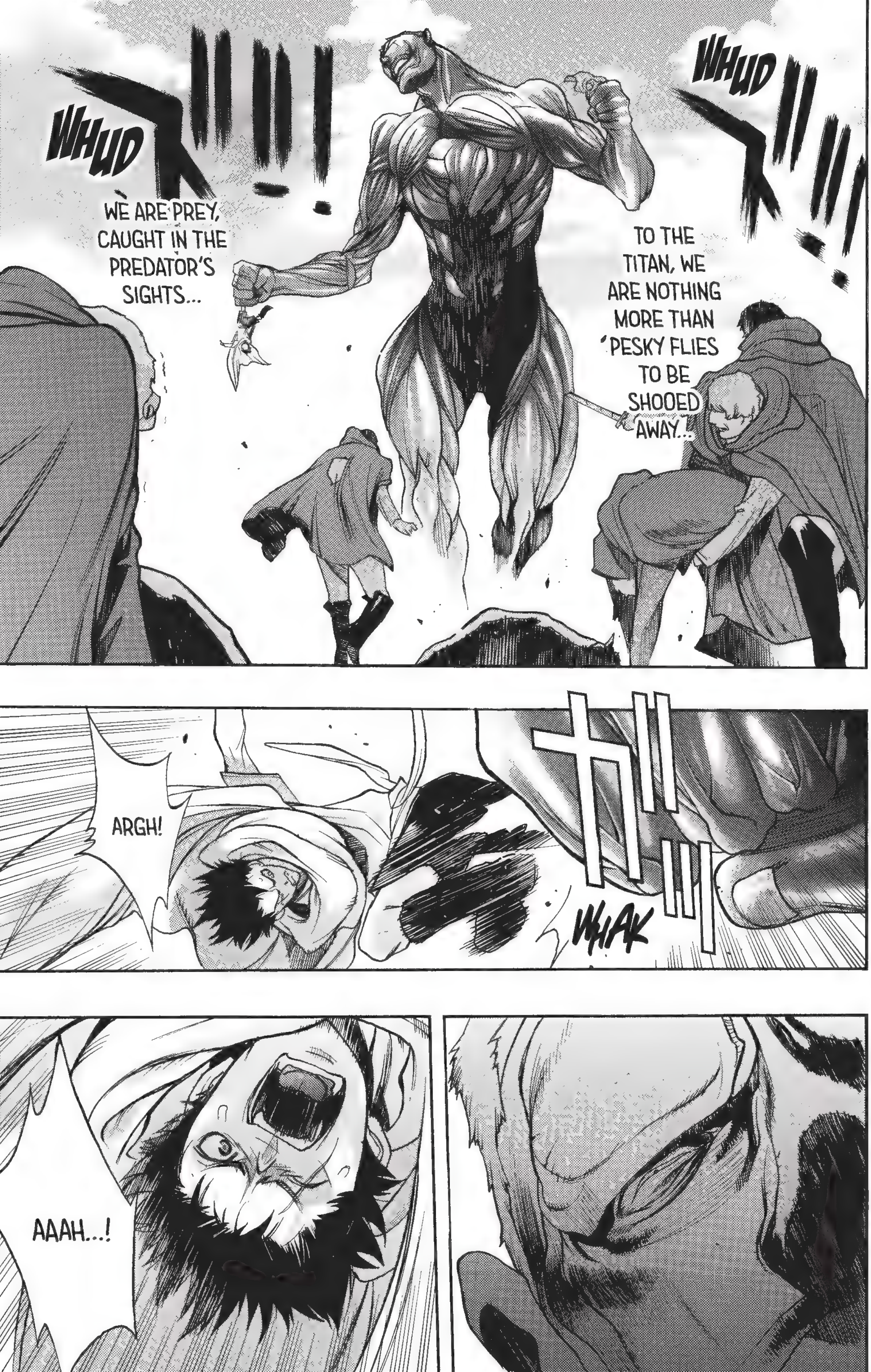
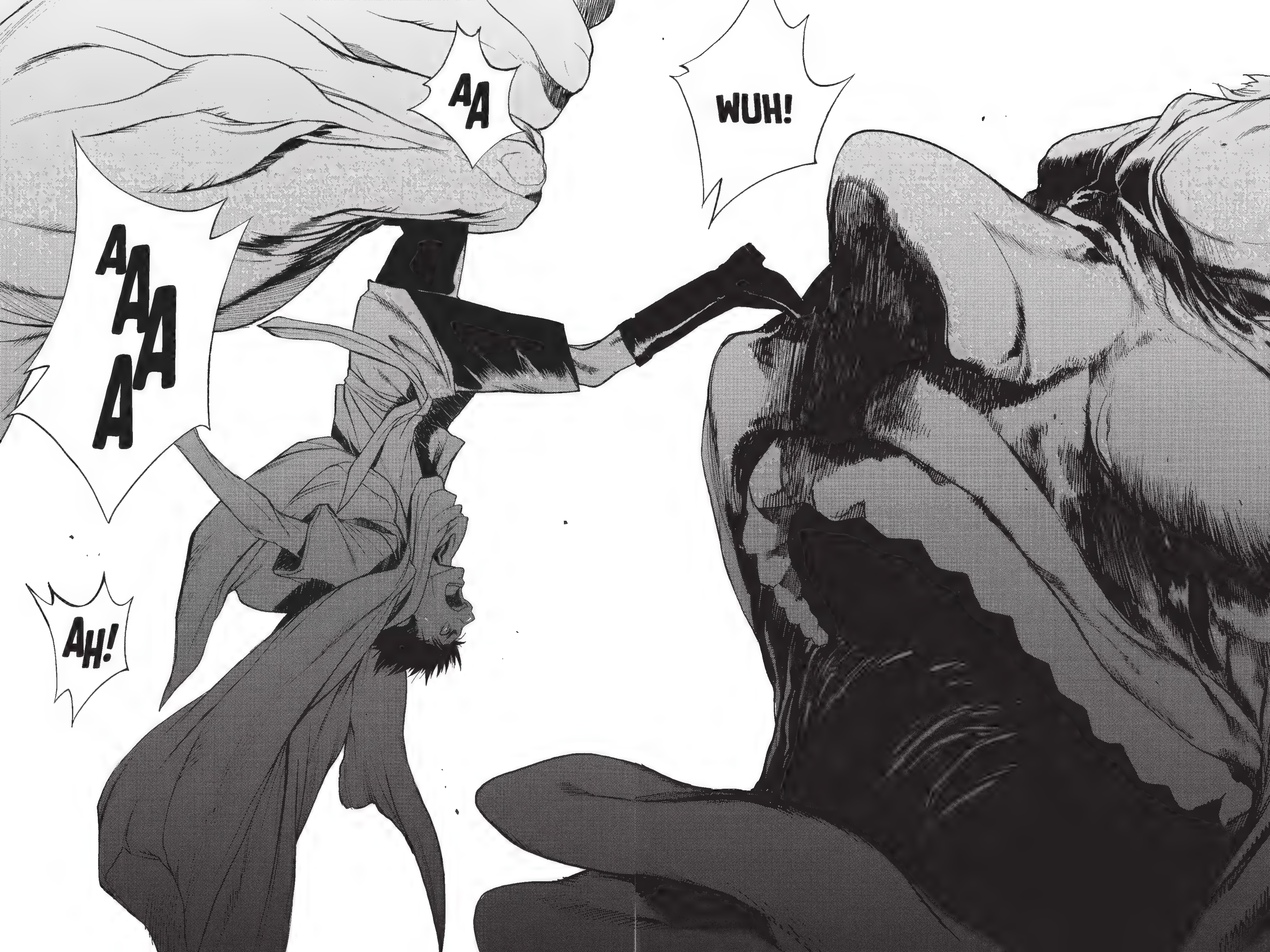
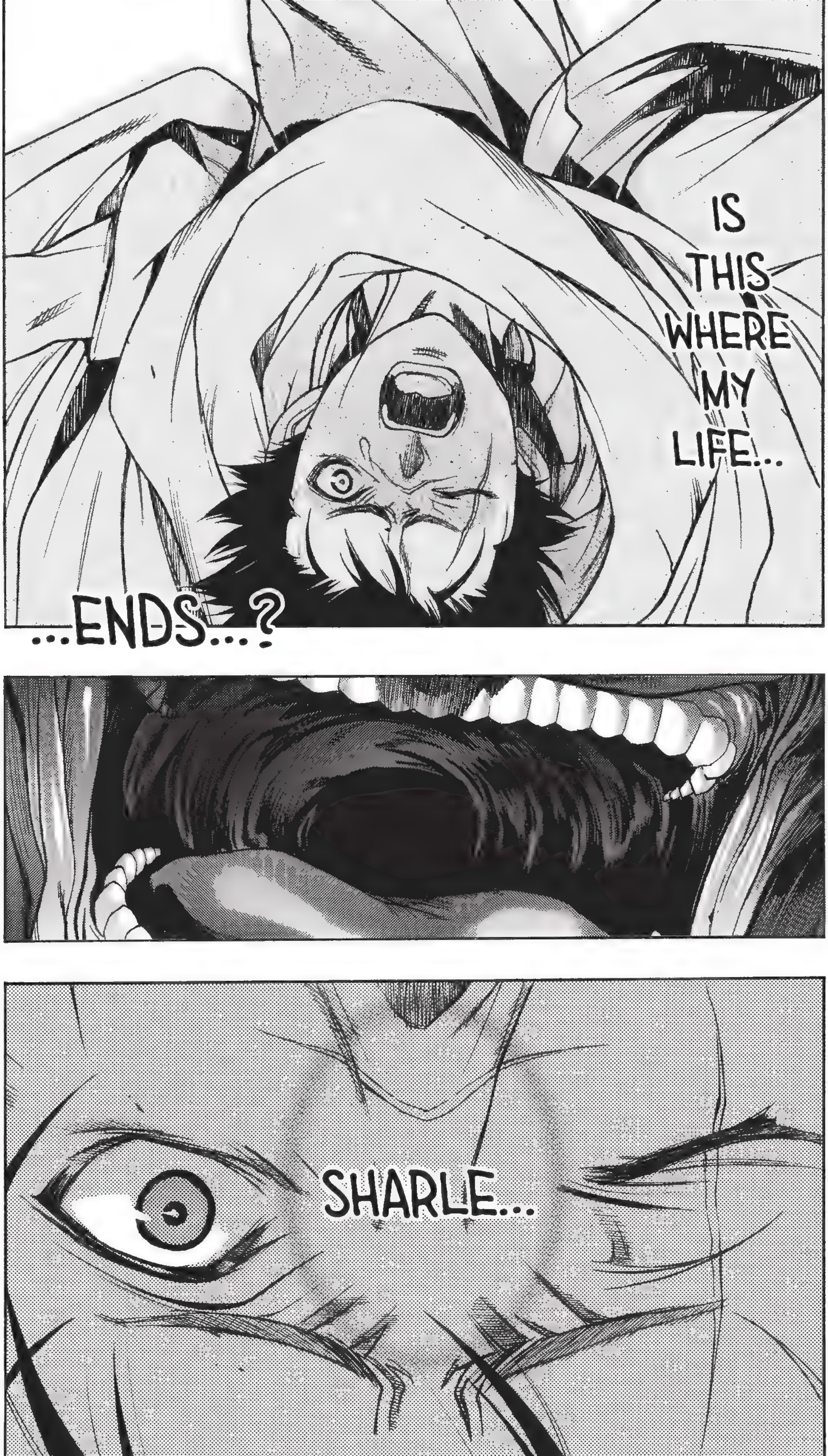
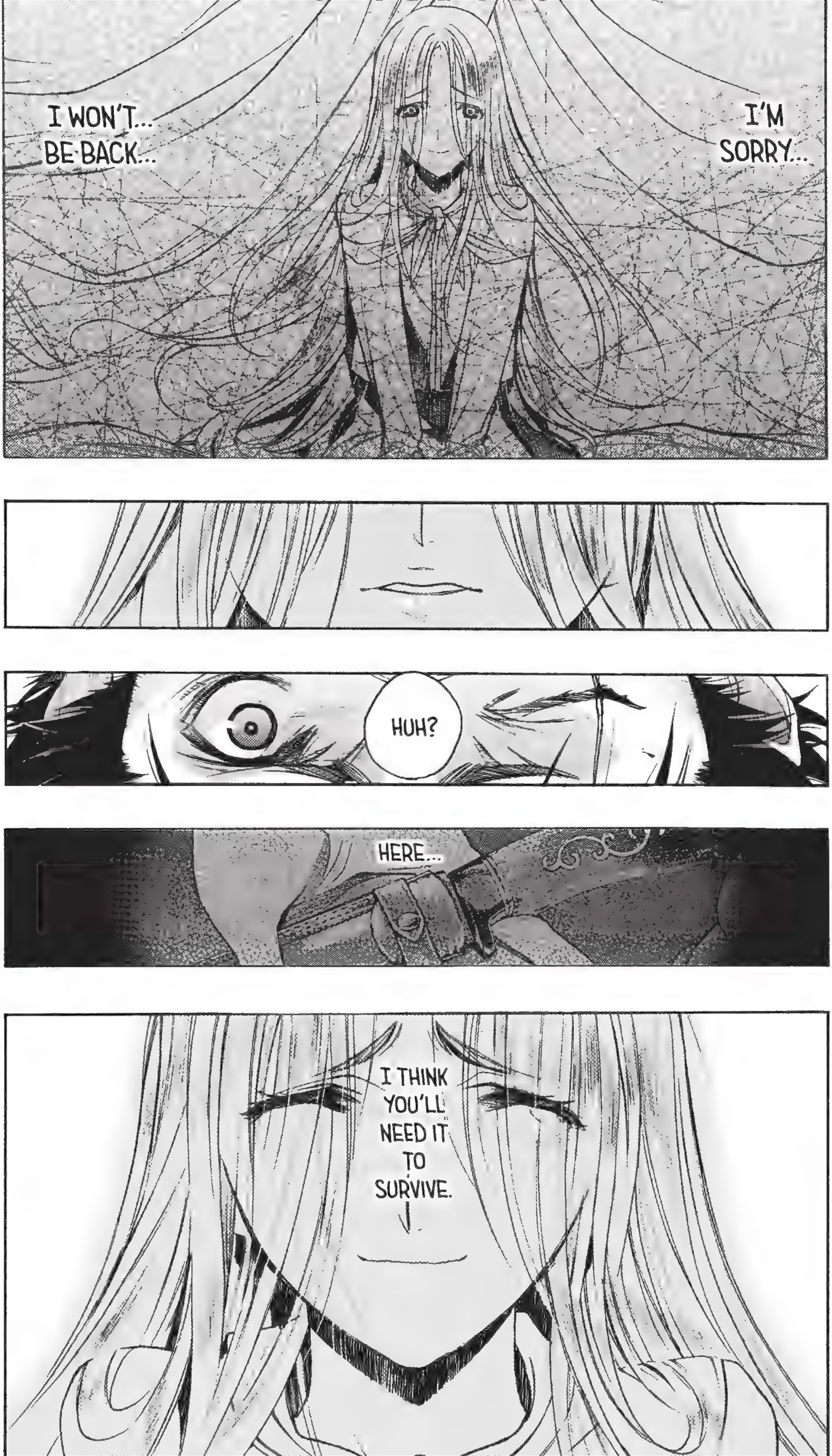
DMM
DSHHK

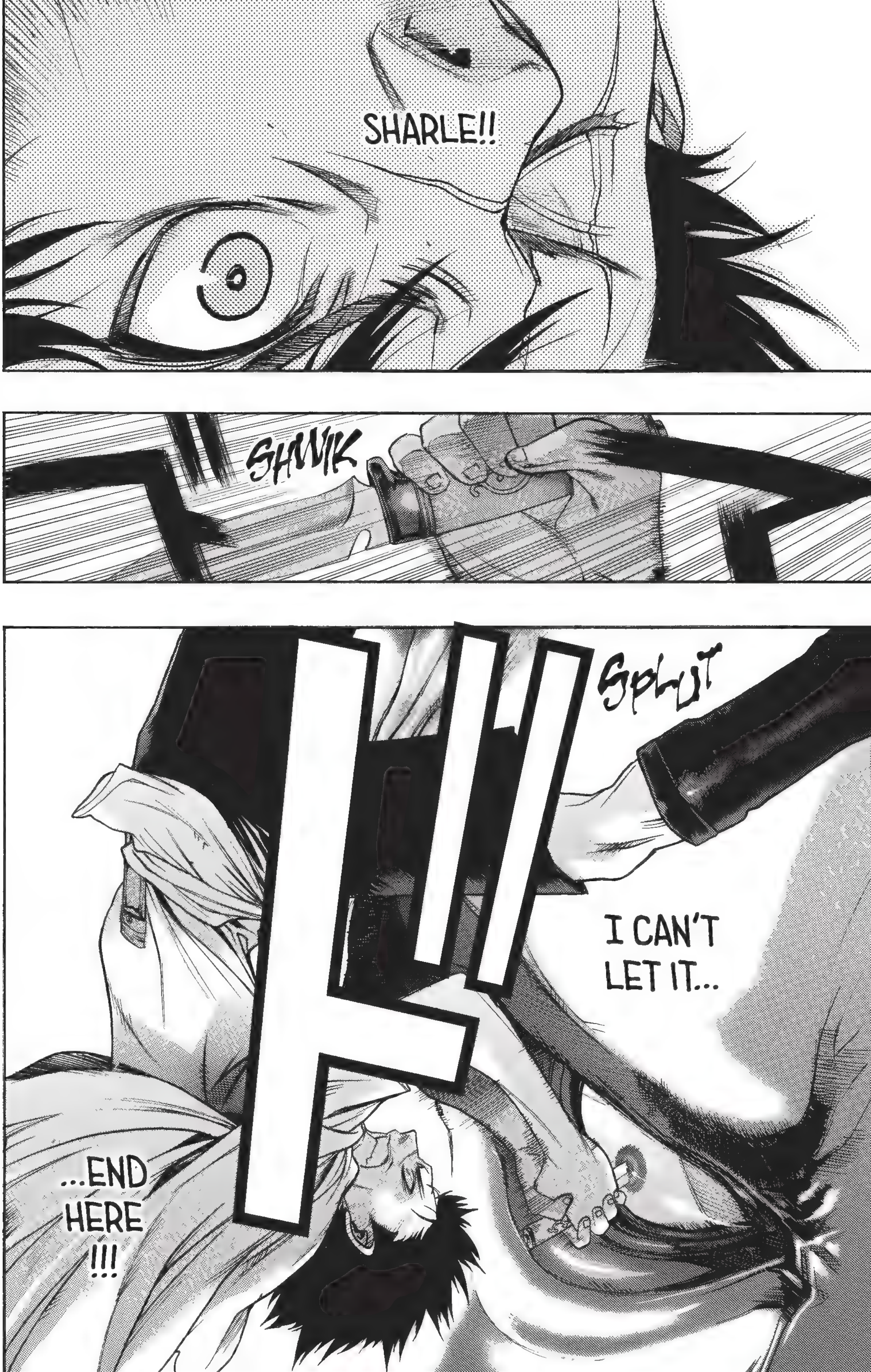

WHOOOOSH
ZSHH...
AH...
AAAH...
WHUD
SHIT... I CAN'T EVEN MOVE...


WHUD!!!!
TO THE TITAN, WE ARE NOTHING MORE THAN PESKY FLIES TO BE SHOOED AWAY...
WHUD!!!
WE ARE PREY, CAUGHT IN THE PREDATOR'S SIGHTS...
WHAK
ARGH!
AAAH...!


WUH!
AA
AAAAA
AH!


IS THIS WHERE MY LIFE...
...ENDS...?
SHARLE...


I'M SORRY...
I WON'T... BE BACK...
HUH?
HERE...
I THINK YOU'LL NEED IT TO SURVIVE.


SHARLE!!
SHNIK
SPLUT
ド!!
I CAN'T LET IT...
...END HERE!!!

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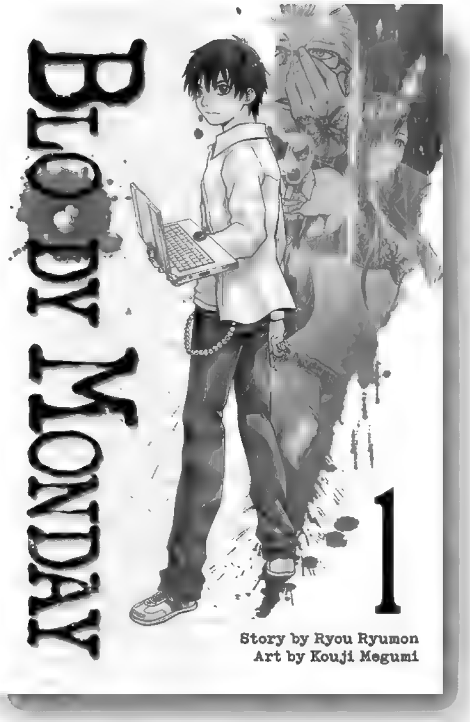

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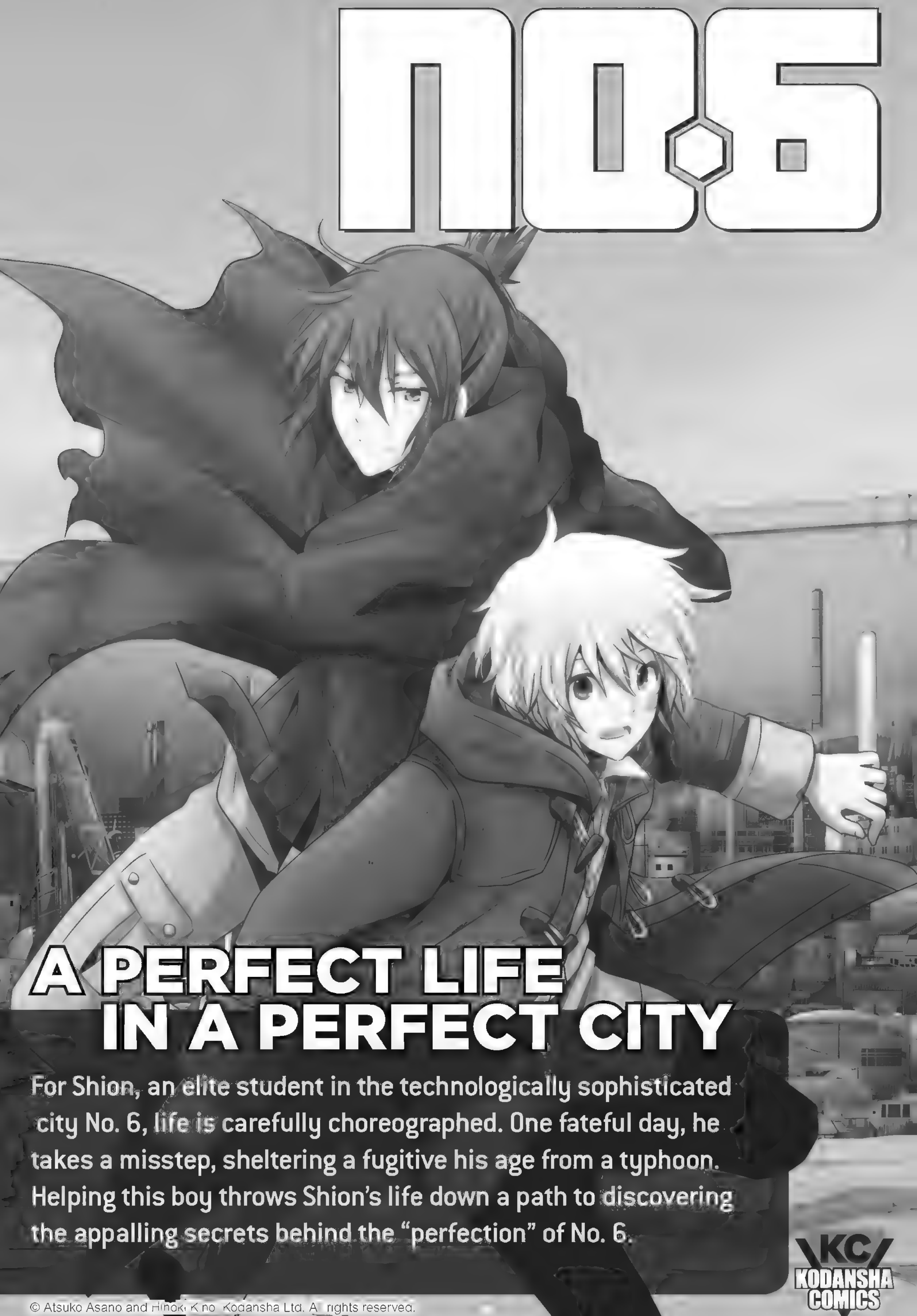
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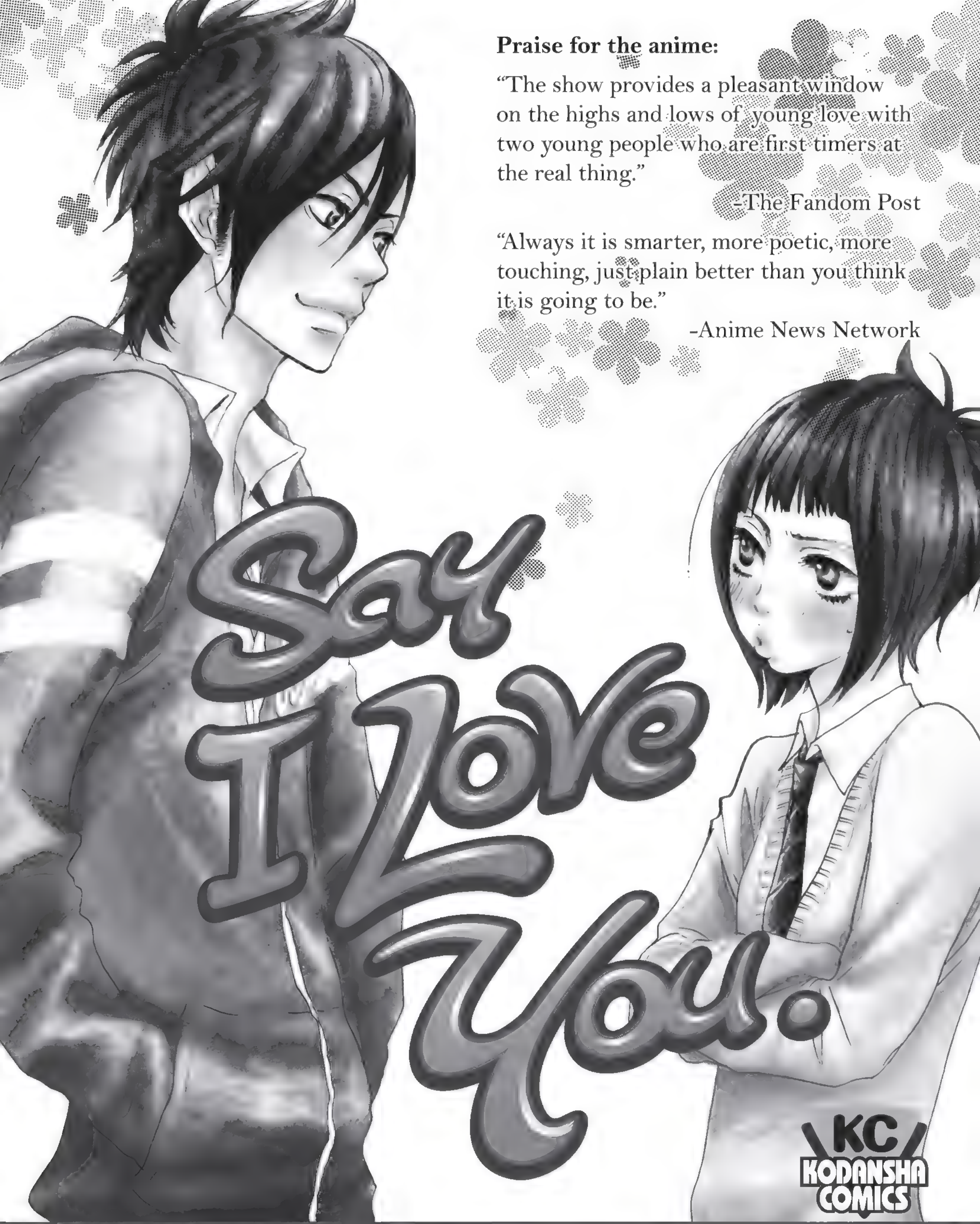

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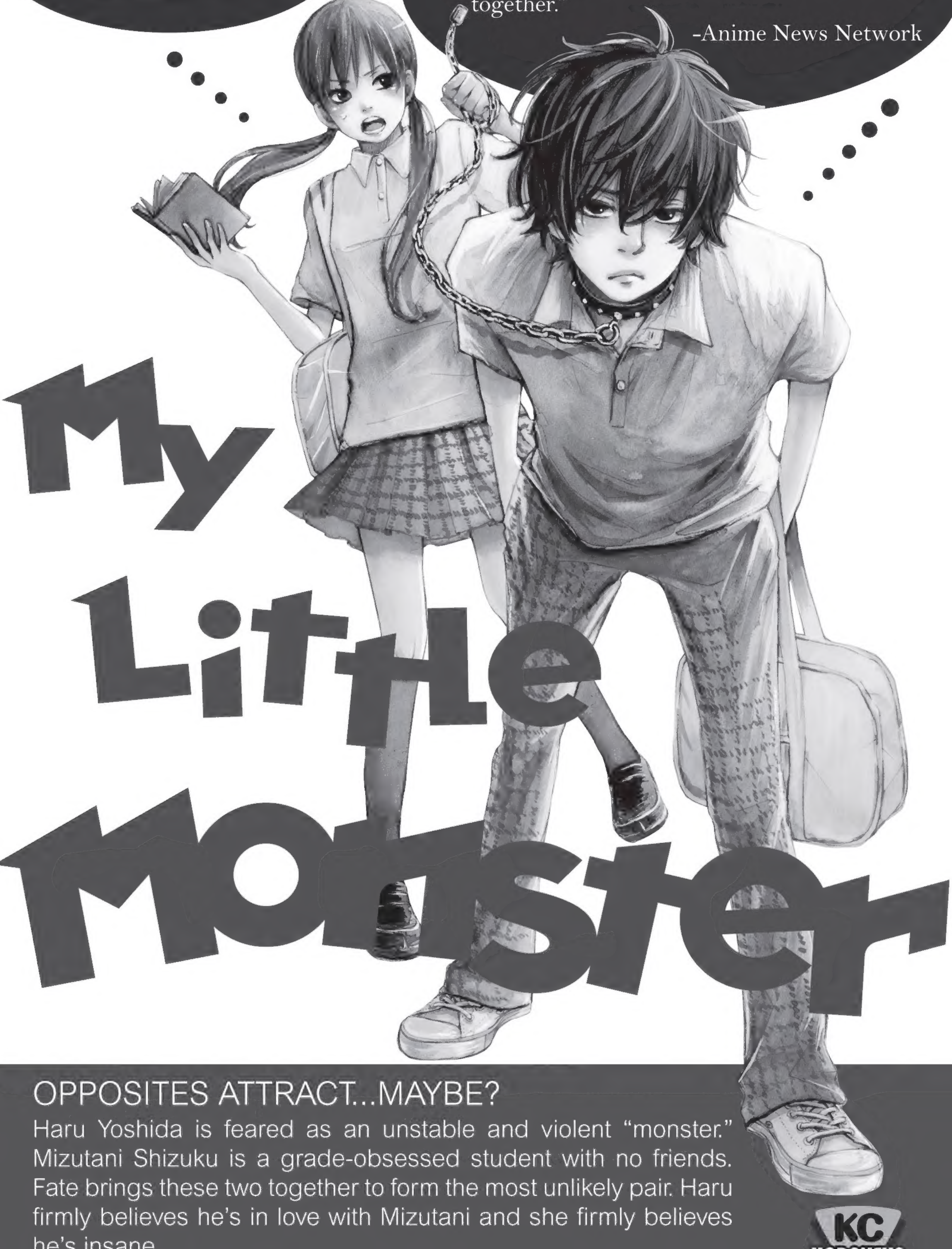

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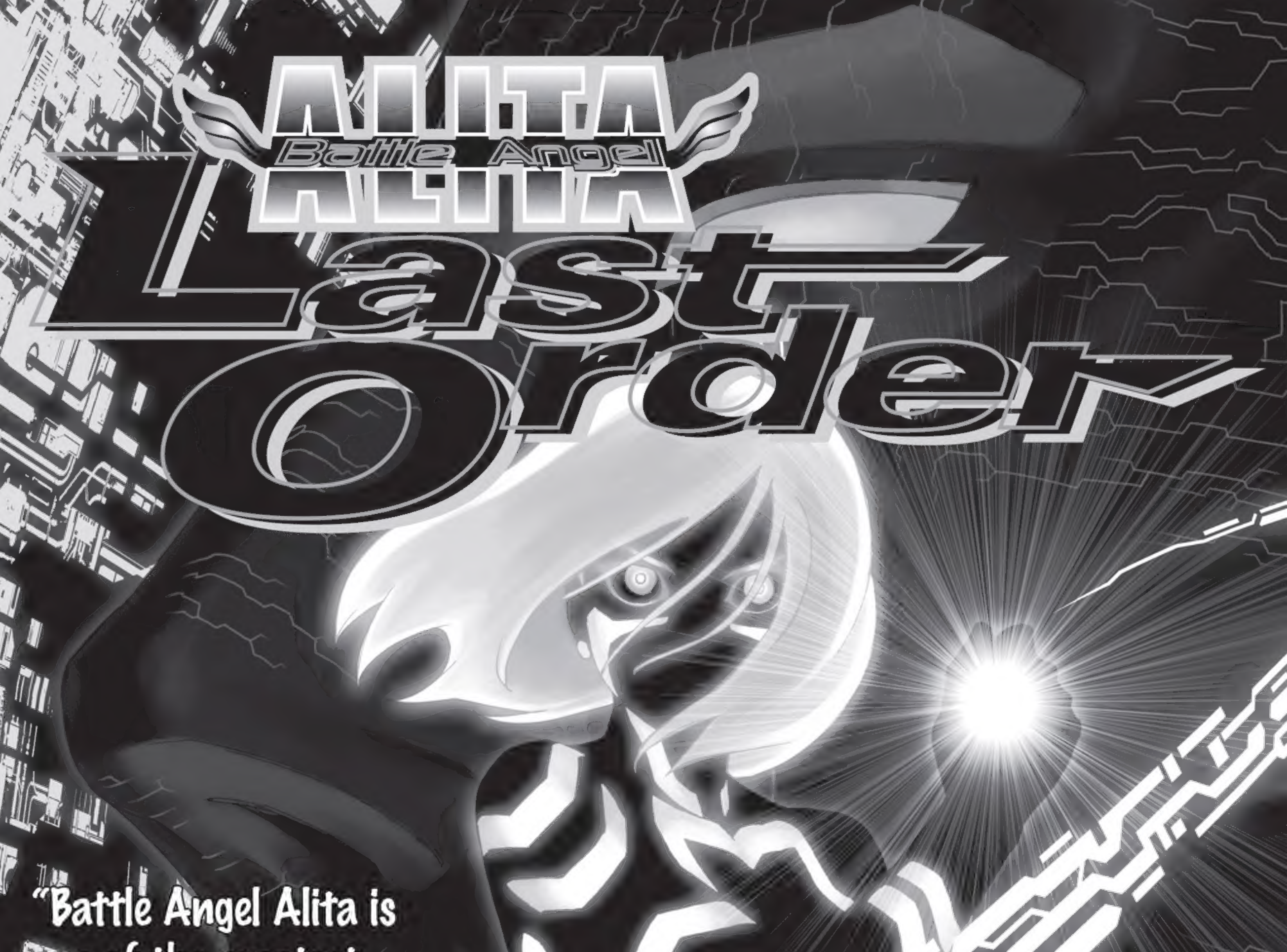
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